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"I love Hanover," senior Doug Peters said. "We're a small school, but that is one of the things I love. We are the perfect size. We're small enough to know everyone, but not big enough to be just a number. The true sense of Hanover is tough, because you are always in touch with your friends and teachers. Hanover may have been my home for four years, but it has given me memories for a lifetime."

OPENING



I went to the dance to see my friends," senior Josh Strominski commented. "It was a lot of fun hanging out with my old girlfriend. I'm going to miss Hanover, after all, it's given me a place to sleep for an extra six hours a day."



I enjoy singing," Andy Anderson said. "It helps me escape reality. It helped me to get over one of my main fears of doing things in front of the public." He was joined by Christie Brownd at the fall choir concert.

Drama . . . gives me a way to express myself in a way that I had no idea I could," senior Beth Johnson said. "When I heard that we were going to do this play (Little Women), I was ecstatic. It's been one of my favorites for years."



hooked on a

FEELING

Hearing the tender voices of the Hanover swing choir was like a dove's song. The sounds of sweet music filled the heart at concerts and the soul with first place performances at contests.

Feeling the energy of a school dance and making a fool of one's self was for fun.

Seeing the thespians and athletes in performance brought triumph and tragedy to life. Classmates helping each other was easy to spot.

Tasting the hits and misses in cooking class, not to mention the smells and aromas, or sneaking a candy bar in a lab eased the monotony of the day. It happened often if the number of candy wrappers found in the hall was any indication.

Best of all, the reason for being here started to make a little more sense.



Staying in a state is as good with kids as she is. It's hard, senior Jessica Minger takes care of one of her little friends in Child Development. By driving oncoming into class, students get their first experience. The second with the yearbook is the same.

After a long morning of making biscuits and gravy for some unappreciative friends, Tammy Vassar, sophomore, is all worn out. While not exactly a healthy choice, the traditional country breakfast was still a favorite with many students even if it made them a little sleepy.



Sophomore Josh Verbish gets some extra sleep on the bus for the Spanish class field trip to Whiting High School to see a play. After the play they went out to a Mexican restaurant.

Always looking to make school more fun, Kristy Follmar picks on junior Christy Bilinski. It was just a common show of power with the bigger person aggravating the smaller one, usually in good fun.



hooked on a

FEELING

Feeling the burn to go out and punish an opponent was nearly all a Wildcat wrestler needed to see victory. Feeding on one's rival was, ironically, like a stepping stone in the real world.

Power plays raged between underclassmen and seniors, but that was the fun of being on top. While learning who's boss, younger students nosed around, sniffing out survival instincts.

Resting was the reward for a hard day of school and doing chores. Sleepovers were fashionable again, but that didn't mean anyone really slept.

The greatest sense of Hanover, though, was in its personal touch. As a small school, everyone knew everyone. For some it was almost a sense of family, and certainly, a sense of community. And that made perfect sense.



Seniors Tim McLaughlin and Rob Longfellow jump themselves up before their wrestling match against North Newton. Tim came out victorious against the Spartans, but Rob wasn't as fortunate, falling to a much bigger opponent.



CRAVING FOR **LIFE**

hungry for more

• CRAVING FOR LIFE •

Craving for life meant the

urge to taste all of those moments ranging from sweet to bittersweet. Starving through the hardship of a March blizzard brought mixed emotions. There was no school for five days, but there also wasn't any electricity at home. Though the hardships were overwhelming, it was reassuring to see neighbor helping neighbor.

Senior Karlean Almageur said, "Overall, I have a pretty good life. I have great friends. Things are going great."

"I've had a good life and it gets better each day," Cecil Pendelton III, remarked. "I've had a great life because I have known Jesus Christ for the majority of my life, allowing me to walk in grace and mercy and not in law."

To live to the fullest one needed friends, family, and school. Finding the right fuel to energize a great life was tough, but in the end, the hunger was satisfied.

■ BY NICK KOWALCZYK



*"Your friends
make your
life better.
Good friends
are very
important."*

Karlean Almageur



*"I do my best
to keep my
heart, mind,
and soul
stayed on
Jesus Christ
every moment
of my life."*

-Cecil Pendelton III

● *TALKING AMONGST EACH other, Tina Butler, Melissa Youngpach, Darby Williams, Jordan Randall, and Claudia Reyes were in the car and the morning they were leaving as we there field trip. It wasn't until we the painting was by Pineda.*

hunger pangs

Teachers and students compete
to bring a harvest of food
for the hungry

Another year in the 33 years of the annual food drive continued a tradition of caring. While there was nothing like seeing a million bags of food scattered across the auditorium stage to make you want stuff your face, National Honor Society made sure that all the food collected from the classes went to the right place: the needy and homeless in the community on behalf of the Lake County Equal Opportunity organization.

Linda Beard's Swing Choir, which won first place in 1995 and second place in 1996, were unstoppable in recapturing their collection crown. Piling up food and money, Swing Choir took lead with 2,140 items, plus the non-edible items. No other class could beat that. Not even the office with 1,288, which captured second place. NHS sponsor Jack Granger's class brought in 924 items. Students and staff collected a total of 9,430 items.

"I am proud of the whole school for their efforts; but most of all I am proud I could help," junior Jon Deenik noted.

"We distribute the food to two churches, four non-profit organizations, and the food bank. Over 200 baskets were made," Mrs. Mary Joan Dickson said.

• by amanda amundson

GATHERING THE GOODS, junior Michelle York collects canned goods for the needy. She helped to bag the food and get it ready for pick-up by the Jaycees, who took it to the distributing organizations.



PAM PETERSON, JUNIOR, helps the needy by going out and collecting food for the food drive. The honor society members make the drive an annual tradition, spurred by some spirited competition between first-hour classes.



SENIOR ANGELA DERISI
sorts food items on the final
day of collection. When it
was over, Swing Choir won
a doughnut breakfast as
the winning class, much to
the dismay of Mr. Fetty and
the office staff.

foolin' around

Although summer was an ideal time for fun, students took part in the action year-round

A majority of the students went somewhere over the summer to either see relatives or just go to chill and relax for a vacation.

"I went to a youth conference in Washington, D.C.," Cheryl Allen said. "I also went on a family vacation to Galena, Illinois, and camped in Michigan. On our family vacation I went to Springfield to see Abe Lincoln's grave. Our family vacations are almost always educational."

"Most of the summer I hung out with my friends, but I also went on an Alaskan cruise. The cruise was really fun except my airline lost my luggage. So, for the first three days I got to pick out whatever I wanted to wear from the boutiques on board. I also spent some time shopping downtown in Vancouver and I saw an air show in Seattle," Melissa Demopolous commented.

"I went to France, Notre Dame, Minnesota, and I golfed," Samantha Enyeart recalled.

"Over summer vacation I had a lovely time in Florida," Jessica Petros said. "My family and I toured the beaches and had fun in the sun."

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• by kelly kortokrax

SPEEDING TO WIN, RYAN

Otterman races his go-cart around the track as his seven-year hobby. His father bought him his first go cart seven years ago for a fun, but expensive hobby. Ryan said he hopes to race bigger and faster cars.



TIM STANFORD TOOK THIS

picture of the Eiffel Tower on his vacation to Paris with a group of Hanover students. "This is a very pretty city, and it's very old," Tim said.

FEELING THE SUN, SENIORS

Monique Barba and Briana Wasylw take a break from their hard summer life to go swimming. In the summer Monique worked at Pine Crest Marina, while Briana worked at Taco Bell.



SENIOR RACHELLE MENDOZA coaches a junior Soccer League team with the Park Department. Even though she wasn't paid, she said she enjoyed working with kids and thought of it as a learning experience.

more foolin' • around

Students found festive fun and fast fun as they ventured out to enjoy the best in life

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However, some people didn't get to go anywhere because they had to work to earn some extra cash, but they found ways to make-up for satying home.

"My summer consisted of working at the wonderful and now former Chicken City and hard partying every night," partier Sarah Strzelecki added.

Unfortunately, some of people had such a wonderful time they couldn't remember what they did.

Others didn't have to go anywhere to have fun. They just enjoyed a simple routine. Ryan Otterman raced on a regular basis at U.S. 41 Sprint Speedways in the Yamaha Junior Can class. Regularly 11 racers participated. "I have raced for seven and a half years and I received about 30 trophies and plaques," he said. "I also participated in the Portage Grand Prix races at South Bend Raceway and Michiana Raceway near Red Bud, Michigan." To get into go karting it can cost from anywhere between \$2,000-\$9,000, but used ones are available. "This year I finished second over all in my class."

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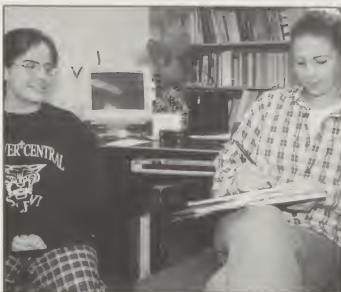
SHOWING HER TROPHY

With a smile, freshman Kelly Garrett helps her team to a first place finish in the summer soccer league for Cedar Lake. Kelly stated, "I wish Hanover had a soccer team so I could play here." The team she played on had an undefeated season.



ALL-AMERICAN POMS

Angel Schuitema and Monique Barba visit Hawaii to dance in the Aloha Bowl. They spent most of their time practicing, but found time for shopping and the beach. "It was beautiful and warm and I hope to go there again," Monique said.

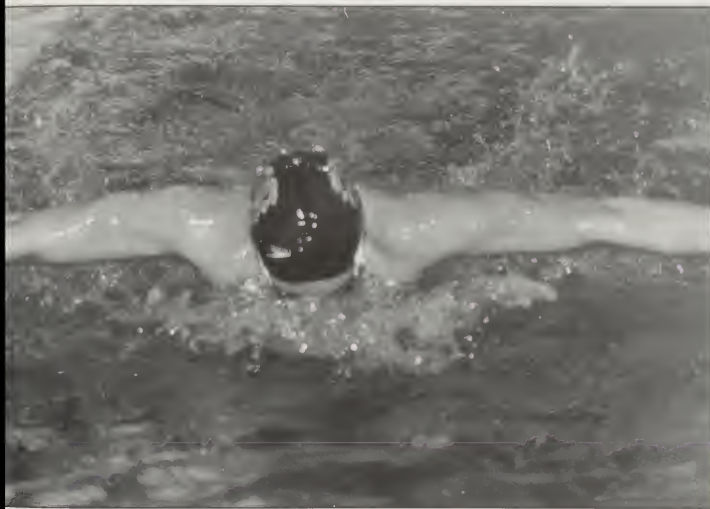


PEER MEDIATOR JENNI

Wallace helps Kirby Heindle with her problems. "I think peer mediation is a good program, and it has been successful. I wish more people would take it more seriously," Wallace said.

HEATH MONTGOMERY

practices the butterfly at Merrillville High School after school. The one-man team placed second in the 500-yard freestyle and fourth in the 200-yard freestyle at the state competition.



KEEPING HIS BALANCE,
junior Anthony Burke sprints
towards the finish line to
"seal" the win in the Flipper
Race. Anthony competed in
several events to help the
juniors keep it close.



DURING HIGH SCHOOL
lunch, Kristy Follmar
dresses for Spirit Week's
"Crazy Dress-Up Day".
Kristy said she participated
in most of the activities
throughout the hectic week.



dressed for • SUCCESS

Spirit Week/Games brought out
the best in class competition
and imaginative style

TIED TOGETHER, SENIORS

Michelle Brezek and Christy Brownd hop around in a potato sack for the three-legged race. They managed to keep their balance and finish the race.

PULLING STRONG, JOSH

Strominski and Tim Surprise help out-muscle the juniors in the tug-of-war challenge. The seniors not only took the overall tug-of-war, but the Spirit Jug as well.



ON A ROLL, SENIORS

Kevin Massengill and Jessica Mager tie a few classmates, including Jill Hoffman, Angel Schuitema, and Monique Barba, with toilet paper. The quicker they were wrapped, the quicker they could win, but the seniors weren't quick enough as the juniors literally wrapped up this event.

Students went wild as they cheered for classmates in the Spirit Games that included tug-of-war, musical chairs, toilet paper wrap, and lots more. In the week leading up to the games everybody enjoyed dressing up for School Colors Day, Crazy Hair Day, Flashback Day, and other wild ways.

"The point of dressing up for Spirit Week is to show school spirit," Nick Medrano said.

The usual complaints about seniors cheating at the games resurfaced, but few really cared. Some said it was fine since it was their last year and they should have fond memories of the annual class struggle. In fact, the seniors prevailed in the Spirit Jug competition.

That didn't mean everyone was happy, though. "It wasn't fair that the freshmen had to go against the seniors in the tug-of-war," Sabrina Murillo said.

Still, the pumped-up emotions carried over to an exciting basketball game later that evening as the Wildcats dumped PCC rival Washington Twp. in a close game. It was a dream ending to a colorful week.

• by sandi willbarger

welcoming party

Annual Homecoming attracts recent alumni and celebrates special seniors in royal style

Homecoming was a time to be with friends, to dance, listen to music, and just hang out.

Some said we needed more interesting and better decorations in the gym. Most others said they could tell that Mrs. Marcia Gross and the student council did a good job on the gym and the entry hall.

As for the queen, Cara Campbell was the epitome of Hanover. She worked hard at her schooling and she excelled in her sports. She showed that she cared about her future and herself.

King Jason Cams was bright, intelligent and a lot of people looked up to him for his athleticism. People knew he put a ton of effort into his sports and academics. Popular choices among their classmates and court representatives, a quick survey of students showed the runners up did well, but were glad Jason and Cara made king and queen.

As the King and Queen took the floor to enjoy a slow song, balloons rained from the rafters as everyone circled the duo and danced along with their dates.

ON THE SPOT, MATT KULIG dances with his date, Laura Lopez, from Lake Central. After the dance they took a limo to Chicago and ate at Planet Hollywood.



TAKING A BREAK, DANA Freeman takes time out from dancing to talk to her friend Megan Vassar. She also slipped off her shoes to heal her sore feet. Most of the girls' feet hurt from dancing on the hardwood floor, so they went without shoes.

• by sandi willbarger



DANCING WALL TO WALL,

sophomore Adam Kowalczyk shares the evening with freshman Jill Gorny. "I had a lot of fun with Adam as my date," Jill said. They spent time with their friends afterward.



QUEEN OF THE COURT,

Cara Campbell dances with her man, graduate Eric Witt, on Homecoming night. Cara was Homecoming queen, while Eric was king two years ago.

HANGING WITH FRIENDS,

junior Pam Peterson dances with her date, homecoming king Jason Carns. After the dance they went to Holly Panozzo's to watch the movie, Ghost.



one last • dance

Last dance of the year welcomes
the new freshmen and
bids farewell to the seniors

Just a couple more days until the seniors graduated, just a couple more detentions for those nabbed on "Ditch Day," and the year would be over. Then came the future freshmen. Where were students gathered having a great time? The "Hello Freshmen, Goodbye Seniors" Dance.

"As a senior, I will miss this school greatly, and this dance is just a wonderful place to have fun with your friends before you leave," senior Tim Surprise said.

Instead of having the dance in the back gym, organizers broke tradition and changed it to the front gym for the sake of air-conditioning. Unfortunately, some students didn't like the idea of it being in the front gym.

"It should have been in the back gym because everyone waited until it got dark until they began dancing," freshman Michelle Borger stated.

From sophomore Ryan Neimeyer's tight jean shorts, half shirt, and cowboy boots, to junior Omar Sanchez's impression of Usher's dance moves, to senior Angel Schuitema's famous 'worm' dance. No doubt about it, the seniors would definitely remember why this was such a special place.

JUST A BREAK

Senior Brian York takes a breather before deciding to go back onto the dance floor and show his stuff again. In spite of the air-conditioning, dancers heated up the gym with their moves.



DO A LITTLE DANCE

Dan Shipman, sophomore, does a little dance of his own with the beat of the music. While the dance drew a relatively small crowd, it was one last chance to meet with friends and have some fun.

• by amanda amundson



WHAT TO DO

Heidi Govert, sophomore, gets away from the dance floor to talk with her friends. The dance was the first opportunity for new freshmen to mingle with some high school friends.

YES OR NO

Senior Samantha Enyeart and freshman Gretchen Govert try to decide on whether they want to dance to this song or not.



JIVING WITH THE BEAT

Sophomores Ryan Neimeyer and Amanda Amundson are bumpin' and grindin' the night away. "I definitely had a thoroughly enjoyable time that evening," Ryan said.

cash and • class

The biggest formal dance
of the year made for some
very expensive memories

Nice cars, tuxedos, and gorgeous gowns made prom night special. St. Elijah's Serbian American Hall once again played host to the prom.

Getting a nice car from a family member or friend of the family was a popular way to go. "I borrowed my uncle's Infinity Q45 for prom because the car is very classy and it's so comfortable," senior Kevin Van Gorp said.

However, other people opted for a limousine instead of driving themselves. A group of 10 people rented a limousine for a pricey \$875. For the money, though, they literally rolled-out the red carpet upon arrival at the dance.

Julie Potter said the ride was less than first class, however. "I couldn't breath because I was crowded and it smelled like vomit," she said. "Maurice, the limo driver, smelled like beer, too."

"It was a good night, but the limo cost too much for the service we received. The driver crashed the limo into a ditch and scratched it up pretty bad," Renee Brumbaugh remembered.

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• by heath montgomery

ROYAL ANNOUNCEMENT

It was the time to announce the prom king and queen. Josh Carns was king and Holly Panozzo was queen. And like at all proms, it was time for the senior king and queen's dance.



GETTIN' JIGGY WIT IT

Getting the groove on, seniors Angel Schuitema and Jessica Petros pick up the pace. The traditional night was filled with dancing and memorable moments.



WHAT A RIDE

A classy way to go to prom was to order-up a limo. Senior Doug Peters helps seniors Alisha Bailey and Jessica Petros out of their regal ride.

FEELING THE PASSION

Senior Monique Barba gives that model-posing look as she awaits to dance the night away with her date, senior Josh Strominski.



JUST A LITTLE HELP

Senior Josh Govert receives some help putting on a boutonniere from his date, junior Jodi Wilkes.

Attending to those last-minute details helped make for a perfect evening.



FLOWER POWER

Graduate Heather Holeman pins a rose and carnation boutonniere on Jason Derybowski for a perfect match to her own flowers.

FUN FEAST

A generous Rob Longfellow stuffs Tom McLaughlin with ice cream. Tom's date, Laura McClymont watched the two amuse themselves.



matching • memories

HEAVEN'S GATE

Looking like angels and eager to start dancing, seniors Angela DeRisi, Carrie Westerhoff, Jessica Petros, and Alisha Bailey enter the festive room.



ALWAYS GENTLE

Doug Peters shows Jessica Petros the way to the dance hall. Letting the lady enter first was a sign of a gentleman, and Doug certainly knew how to be just that.

A power failure plunged the blue and silver hall into darkness, but prom-goers stuck together to have some fun

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About seven or eight members of the V.I.P., a group of youngsters at Hanover, wore the same style tuxedo and looked very classy. Of course, there were the group pictures that made the photographers angry. The senior guys massed together with a total of about 29 people who crowded on top of couches and tables in the lobby of St. Elijah's. A similar number of girls also posed for an unofficial group photo.

"Last year we all planned to get the same tuxes, and we knew which one we wanted. Most of us got it, but a couple had to be jerks and get a different one," Jason Derybowski noted.

Everyone danced to "Hold on to the Night" as the theme, and Jason Carns and Holly Panozzo were named king and queen. Although the night ended a bit too soon due to a blown fuse, nearly everyone took home memories to cherish forever.

• by heath montgomery

TEARS OF JOY

run down Samantha Enyeart's face as she receives the final award for being announced as Junior Miss. Marlana Haig, last year's Junior Miss winner, passed on the medal to the new winner.



DOUBLE WINNER JILL

Hoffman receives the Fitness Award from James and John Anderson. The contestants were judged on physical well-being, agility, coordination, stamina, posture and carriage in sports attire, as well as overall health and physical fitness. Jill also received the Creative Arts Award.

JUNIOR MISS LINE-UP:

Teresa Devine, Samantha Enyeart, Julie Grevis, Amanda Haig, Jill Hoffman, Brie Larson, Holly Panazzo, Karlee Rawlins, Angel Schuilema, and Violet Taylor.



IN A PROUD MOMENT, KARLEE
Rawlins receives a plaque for first
runner-up. Jaycees president James
Anderson and Dave Brumbaugh of
the Lions Club present the honor.



DANCING TO THE MUSIC, KARLEE
Rawlins and Samantha Enyeart do
their best to keep smiles on their
faces. The routine accounted for 15
percent of the physical fitness points.

learning • curves

**"It's a lot of fun and
definitely worthwhile."**

—Jill Hoffman, Junior Miss contestant

Learning more about each other, 12 seniors made new memories and many new friends while participating in Junior Miss. "My favorite memory of Junior Miss is when Mike Simpson made Holly Panozzo sing acapella at practice," Jill Hoffman noted, "Holly was so furious."

The girls threw a sleepover party at Julie Westerhoff's house to not only learn how to put on the show, but to have fun. The Jaycee's also offered the girls a Mary-Kay party to teach them how to apply their make-up.

Teresa Devine remembered her experience of when Samantha Enyeart won. "We were standing side by side and when they said her name we both looked at each other and said, 'Oh my gosh' and hugged for the longest time. I was so happy for her," she said.

In the end, Samantha Enyeart took it all and became Cedar Lake's 1998 Junior Miss. She also won the Panel Evaluation Award and the Scholastic Achievement award. Other winners included: Briana Wasliyw, second runner-up; Karlee Rawlins, first runner-up; Amanda Haig, Performing Arts award; Holly Panozzo, Presence and Composure and Co-Mia Johnson award; and Michelle Brezek, Co-Mia Johnson award.

• by amanda amundson

anxiously • waiting

The seniors held on,
but two extra days of finals
delayed delivery of the diplomas

The day finally came when the seniors got their diplomas and entered what adults call the 'real world'. Unfortunately, because of the blizzard the seniors still had to go to school for two more half days after commencement exercises.

"It is pointless that we have to go back to school to take finals we already graduated. What are they going to do fail us then make us go through commencement again next year," Karlee Rawlins commented.

Graduation was something that you waited for since junior high. All the graduates used to look so big and you would admire them. "I can't wait until I graduate," is what went aimlessly through your head. Until the day finally came. Tears filled the eyes of the graduates, their families, and friends. Mixed emotions filled the gym. Were the tears cries of happiness or were they tears of sadness?

"Graduation is not something to be sad about, it is a part of life and everyone has to accept that. Why would anyone want to stay in high school. College is a change for the better," Heath Montgomery exclaimed.

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"DO I LOOK ALRIGHT?"

a tense Jeremy Bosnak asks to himself. He wasn't the only one making the adjustment in passing from high school into the real world.



THOUGH NOT DONE,

an elated Mike Wythe returns to his seat carrying the envelope that will soon hold the prize of 12 years worth of work.



WITH A STANDING

ovation, Karlee Rawlins and the seniors agree with Principal Joseph Fetty's opening remarks, although she didn't really agree with the administrative decision requiring seniors to come back to take finals for the next two days.

"LETTING GO" IS SO HARD

to do whether in Swing Choir or any organization. Nevertheless, the song was a beautiful sentiment.



HAVING ALREADY

accomplished the rite of passage via the graduation stage, Brian York, T.J. O'Connor, Jason Derybowski, and others relax for the rest of the ceremony as the list approaches the "G's."

PROUDLY DISPLAYING

her temporary diploma, Angel Schuitema shows a winning smile. Seniors picked up the real thing on Tuesday after finals.

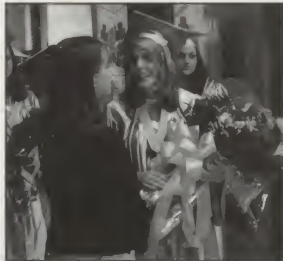
TAKING THEM ONE AT A

time, Melissa Wagar walks down the steps toward becoming an adult in an adult's world.



HAPPY OR SAD?

It doesn't really matter as valedictorian Samantha Enyeart cries a few tears, nonetheless. Just before walking out, she shared her emotions with junior Christy Peters, whose brother, Doug, also was graduated.



real world • ready

WITH COMPLETE

exhilaration, Jessica Mager throws off her cap along with the rest of the graduated senior class, relishing the moment.



NAVY-BOUND AND

graduated, Tim Stanford proudly walks down the stairs many before him have trod. Following close behind is the man they call "Bigfella," Rob Longfellow.

Seniors say "goodbye," sharing mixed feelings about their fate

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Laura Bolger didn't agree with Heath as she accepted her diploma in tears. "I'm going away to college. I'm going to miss my family and friends," she stated.

Mr. Fetty talked about the more you give to others, the more you'll receive and feel better about yourself. Supt. George Letz reinforced those ideas in his speech.

The gym was filled with hundreds of eager seniors and honored parents. The feeling of graduating was intense, and leaving behind underclass friends was hard. For now, high school wasn't in the future, the seniors would no longer see their younger friends each day.

"The hardest thing about leaving is not being able to take the people you care about with. I'm going to miss all of my friends that I leave behind, but I will be thinking about them often," Brian Westerhoff commented.

Change is hard, but who said life was easy? There were be no more passing periods, listening to Mr. Fetty's announcements, or detentions. High school will be remembered as the "good old days." The seniors held heads high and said, "goodbye" as they entered the 'real world.'

• by trisha roberts

heaven • s e n t

Like angels from above,
students help those less
fortunate during the holidays

It might have been a grim Christmas morning; little "Suzy" woke up and she didn't find any presents—she didn't even find a tree. She was depressed, but she understood why. Even little Suzy knew why there were no presents and no tree. The situation she and her mom were in was tough. They could not afford Christmas. They might have been in an abusive relationship, or maybe somehow they lost their money. It didn't matter—we knew they were less fortunate and there was a way to help.

Mr. James Hunley, attendance officer and township trustee, was responsible for locating needy families. The National Honor Societies approached classes for support. Students donated money in their first hour classes to buy presents for the children.

Little Suzy woke up on Christmas morning with a big smile on her face. She was very excited when she saw presents and was eager to open them.

"It gives me an extra boost knowing there are people who care," Suzy's mom said. "Suzy" is not the child's real name, but that was not important. "We now understand the true meaning of Christmas," she said. And in their willingness to give, so did the students.

"I FEEL THAT THE TRUE sense of Christmas is to give a hand to those less fortunate than ourselves," sophomore Dan Shipman commented.



"IT WAS ONE OF THE times of the year when all the families can put away their problems and just get along," junior Christy Koby said of the holiday season.

• by scott klein

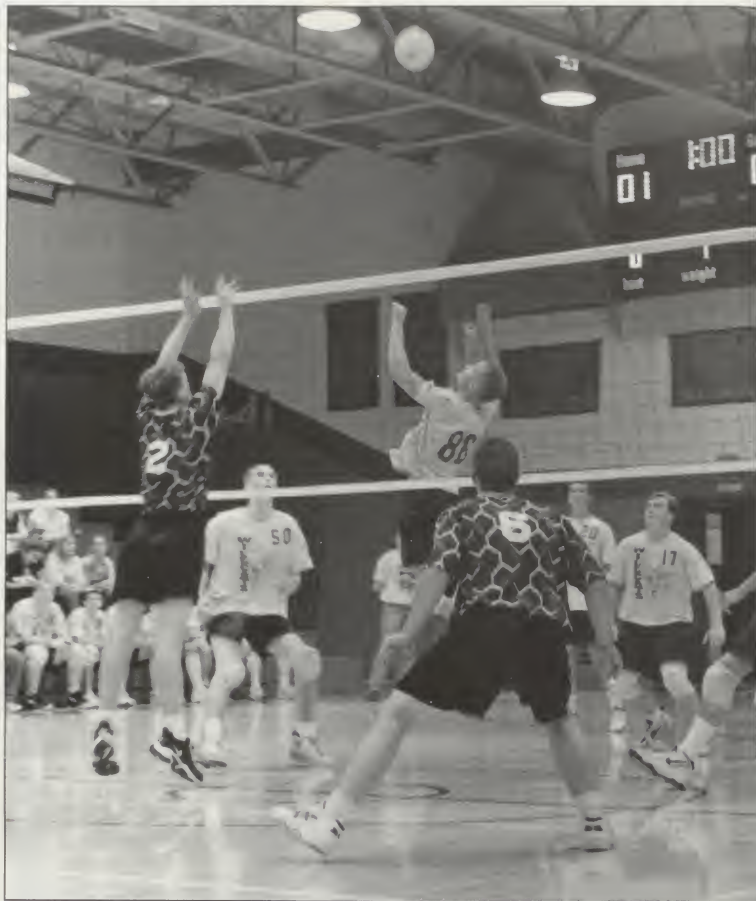


SHOWING THE TRUE sense of the Christmas season is Mr. Jack Granger's first hour class. Christy Haduch and Christy Koby wrap a gift for a little boy who might have not experienced a Christmas if not for the kindness of the students.

"I HELPED BECAUSE ALL kids should experience Christmas," freshman Jenny Wallace said, "no matter where they come from."



"IT MAKES ME FEEL GOOD to help those who are less fortunate than ourselves," teacher Mrs. Millie Postma stated. "I feel if we all tried to help a little more, the sense of Christmas would be felt by all."



A S E N S E O F H A N O V E R

something new

• A TOUCH OF CLASS •



"Sectionals are more stressfull now. The competition is more even and we have a good chance."

—Kristy Follmar

The movie "Hoosiers" was about a really small school that won the Indiana boys' state basketball tourney. Now, all the small schools have a shot at winning Sectional championships and making state appearances. A "Touch of Class" has been added to the IHSAA state tournaments in several boys' and girls' team sports. Schools across the state were divided into four classes, with Hanover in class 2A.

"It's a great idea. We are now able to compete with schools our size," senior Kristy Follmar stated.

Junior Josh Canarini commented, "It's a good idea but all sports should be put into classes because in track larger schools have many more people and it is easier for the team to win a state championship."

Now, with a level playing field, competitors could devote themselves to a sport and still show a "Touch of Class" as sportsman-like athletes.

■ BY TRISHA ROBERTS



"There are good and bad things to come out of it. It's an all or nothing thing."

—Josh Canarini

● **GOING SKY HIGH**, senior T.J. O'Connor tries to spike the volleyball down onto his opponents while seniors Jason Carns and Kevin Massengill await for the point to be awarded.

■ Running Tough

Senior Cara Campbell concentrates on maintaining her pace. "It was a tough race," she said, "I was just glad when it was over."



■ Pulling Away

Taking a corner, Kristy Follmar gains speed and passes her Andrean opponent. The encouraging cheers came from friends and family.



■ Girls' Cross Country

Front: Megan Vassar, Jessica Mager, and Kelly Garrett **Back:** Holly Panozzo, Kristy Follmar, Coach Steve Foulds, Michelle York, and Cara Campbell.

■ Senior Guidance

Using each other to finish strong, Jessica Mager and Kelly Garrett place twelfth and thirteenth in the Crown Point Sectional meet at Lemon Lake, October 18.



ANOTHER ROAD TO GLORY

THE DUAL STREAK CONTINUES

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN



ang! The gun sounded and the girls all sprinted out to a good start. For the last six years it's been a good start. And then a good finish. Good start. Good finish. Winning, evidently, never got old. The girls' cross country team proved that again as they chalked up another undefeated dual meet season.

Despite only seven runners on the team, and one injured for more than half of the season, this family of girls proved again to schools sometimes twice their size that they were for real. Winning invitationals at Lowell, Kankakee Valley, and Culver were only half of their achievements. They won the PCC Round Robin and Meet Championships for the fifth year in a row. They also placed second at the sectional meet and again qualified for semistate.

"Our team was very close," Kristy Follmar said, "we stuck together and we knew how to push each other." Being close with teammates during practice and after helped the team.

Along with Follmar, Cara Campbell, Jessica Mager, and Holly Panozzo were the only seniors on this extraordinary team. Junior Michelle York, and freshman Megan Vassar and Kelly Garrett were great runners also.

"I loved being a freshman!" Kelly Garrett said. "Our team was so close it was like a family. I was treated well and fit right in."

The girls ran well in a pack. They all finished close to each other in races. "This was probably one of the best girls' cross country teams in school history," York noted, "and the seniors will really be missed."

■ SCORES

Season Record:	10-0
PCC Record:	8-0
Invitationals:	46-2
Rensselaer	22-33
Gavit Invite	3rd of 15
C.P. 5-Way	2nd of 5
River Forest	15-49
Lowell Invite	1st of 10
Boone Grove	15-45
Washington Twp.	15-50
Culver Invite	1st of 20
Wheeler	15-50
Westville	15-50
Morgan Twp.	17-41
LaCrosse	15-44
K.V. Invite	1st of 6
Kouts	23-35
Hebron	15-45
PCC Meet	1st of 6
Sectional	2nd of 11
Regional	4th of 10
Semistate	11th of 20

■ CLASS ACTS

MICHELLE YORK
MVP

CARA CAMPBELL
HUSTLE AWARD

KRISTY FOLLMAR
MOST IMPROVED

JESSICA MAGER,
KRISTY FOLLMAR,
MICHELLE YORK,
MEGAN VASSAR,
KELLY GARRETT,

ALL-PCC,
ALL-SECTIONAL

MICHELLE YORK
ALL-REGIONAL



MICHELLE YORK TOUCHES ON:

BEST MEMORY:
Swimming in the lake
at the Culver Invite

BEST RACE:
Sectionals-15.52

■ Boys' Cross Country

Front: Mike Shaw, Brian Westerhoff, Jason Derybowski, Tim Stanford, and Ryan Otterman. **Back:** Chip Baacke, Scott Klein, Ryan Niemeyer, Coach Steve Foulds, Brian York, Chris Mantel, and Dan Sullivan.



■ Soph Sensation

Finishing tenth at Sectionals, Ryan Niemeyer had a strong first year on the team. "I ran my hardest," Ryan said simply.



■ Dynamic Duo

Helping the team to a good finish, Mike Shaw and Brian York sprint to the chute. The team placed third behind Crown Point and Merrillville.

■ Iron Will

Determination drives Tim Stanford to achieve twelfth place at the Sectional Meet. Stanford's time was 17:56. He was the team leader at practice and at meets.



RUNNING A WOLFPACK ATTACK

EVEN RAIN CAN'T SLOW 'EM DOWN

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN



It rained and it rained and then it rained some more. The team had to run through mud, water, and slop on more than one occasion this year. In a practice at the beginning of the season at the Monastery, it was so wet that the team chose to run in bare feet. When the practice was over, they removed most of their clothes and slid head first down a wet hill.

"Ruben Perez used to call it banana sliding," Mike Shaw said, "we just called it being crazy." Sounds like fun if you like to get dirty.

Semistate was, by far, the messiest meet the entire season. It rained all night Friday, into Saturday morning, and it continued during the meet. There was standing water all over the course, and it was a mud slide down every hill. Besides that, it was less than 40 degrees.

"Semistate was the funnest meet of the the season," Brian York said, "even though I couldn't feel my feet."

It was a small upset when the Wildcats advanced out of regionals by beating Crown Point, Munster, and Gavitt.

"We knew we could advance, but we didn't know exactly how," Ryan Niemeyer noted.

"Sometimes people ask me why I run," Brian York said, "I don't really know, but in a way it's for Mr. Foulds." The seniors took it upon themselves to recognize their veteran leader with a plaque honoring him as "The Best Coach" in the Universe.

■ SCORES

Season Record:	8-4
PCC Record:	5-3
Invitationals:	39-6
Rensselaer	32-23
Gavitt Invite	5th of 9
C.P. 4-Way	3rd of 4
South Newton	15-49
River Forest	15-50
Rensselaer Invitational	
Fr.-1st; So.-2nd; Sr.-2nd	
Lake Station	15-50
Lowell Invite	1st of 13
Boone Grove	15-50
Washington Twp.	20-39
Culver Invite	3rd of 25
Wheeler	42-18
Westville	17-46
Morgan Twp.	16-41
LaCrosse	17-46
Kouts	30-25
Hebron	29-26
PCC Meet	3rd of 9
Sectional	3rd of 11
Regional	4th of 10
Semistate	18th of 20

■ CLASS ACTS

TIM STANFORD
MVP

JASON DERYBOWSKI
HUSTLE AWARD

RYAN NIEMEYER
MOST IMPROVED

TIM STANFORD
RYAN NIEMEYER
SCOTT KLEIN
ALL-SECTIONAL



TIM STANFORD
TOUCHES ON:

BEST MOMENT:
Qualifying for Semistate

BEST MEET:
Culver Invitational

FAVORITE QUOTE:
"When elephants fight, the grass suffers."

■ SCORES

Season Record: 3-9

No PCC Record

Match scores not available

■ CLASS ACTS

SAMANTHA ENYEART
MVG

JESSICA GRANGER
MENTAL ATTITUDE
AWARD

SAMANTHA SAMUELS
MOST IMPROVED

SAMANTHA ENYEART
ACADEMIC ALL-STATE
AWARD



SAMANTHA ENYEART TOUCHES ON:

BEST MOMENT:

"When I got a birdie
on a par 5 hole."

BEST TIME:

"Rides on the bus."

SUPERSTITION:

"A shamrock
scrunchie."

PERSONAL BEST:

"I have truly seen my
game improve since
my freshman year."

A REALLY ROUGH SEASON

INEXPERIENCE HAMPERS GOLFERS

■ BY HEATH MONTGOMERY



After losing two star players from the previous year, the girls' golf team had a season of rebuilding.

"This was my first year without Kimmy (Justak) and Alana (Keilman), and I was not the baby any more; I was the oldest. It felt completely different," Samantha Enyeart commented.

Three women returned and led the team with their experience and were coached by Cindy Bocken. All of the girls lowered their scores throughout the season.

The practices were held at a beautiful-eighteen hole course, named South Shore, where par was an average 36. All of the girls said they enjoyed practicing there. Sometimes the girls practiced nine holes at South Shore, other times they went to Cedar Creek to work on their chipping skills or to work on their swing at the driving range.

The first major competition the girls were faced with was at the Lafeyette Harrison Invitational. They played 18 holes to determine who would prevail. Unfortunately, there was a lack of attendance by Hanover. Samantha Samuels led the team, followed by Emily Gentry, and Kelly Kortokrax.

The girls did not have a great season if only the wins and losses counted, but they did win three matches, defeating Wheeler, Knox, and Lowell. The girls said they enjoyed playing Lowell because they got along well with them. Enyeart led the team with a 52, while Samuels shot a 60. And as cliché as it sounded, they gained valuable experience. "You only get out of it what you put into it," Jessica Granger concluded.



■ Putt perfection

While Emily Gentry practices her putt, her teammate senior Samantha Enyeart gives her a few pointers.

■ A light touch

Preparing for the last match of the season against Kouts and Lowell, Samantha Samuels practices her putting.



■ A long shot

As Samantha Enyeart tees off at the second hole, the ball bounces off the trail and into the woods. "Better go and find it," said her opponent.

■ Girls' Golf

Front: Kelly Kortokrax, Samantha Enyeart, and Samantha Samuels. **Back:** Emily Gentry, Coach Cindy Bocken, and Jessica Granger.



■ SCORES

Season Record: 6-4
PCC Record: 6-4

VolleyCat Tourney

LaCrosse 5-15, 16-14, 15-5

Morgan Twp. 15-8, 17-15

LaCrosse 15-2, 15-10

Morgan Twp. 7-15, 14-16

Hebron 15-13, 15-12

Wash. Twp. 1-15, 10-15

Boone 12-15, 14-16

Westville won by forfeit

Wheeler 15-13, 12-15, 16-14

Kouts 8-15, 9-15



JOSH VERBISH TOUCHES ON:

BEST MATCH:
*Beating Hebron
15-12, 15-13.*

**FAVORITE PREGAME
WARMUP:**
*Carving Nike signs in
everyone's head.*

BEST PLAY:
*Spiking the ball into
some kid's face from
Boone Grove.*

**MOST INTIMIDATING
BODY PART:**

*My huge biceps, oh,
and my black Nike
eye.*

YOU CAN SLAM IT IN THEIR FACE

HIGHLIGHTS WITH HUSTLE

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN

A season of disagreements between the players and the coach didn't stop the JV boys' volleyball team from playing hard. Right off the bat, the team won the VolleyCat Tourney. "Everything was working at the VolleyCat Tourney," Dan Shipman said, "especially our setting." The team beat Morgan Township for the championship in three exciting games.

Everyone looked forward to a great season, but things didn't always go according to plan. The team had to overcome the loss of Roger Niemeyer and Chris Wornhoff, who were dismissed from the team because of attitude problems, according to the Coach Campbell.

"It was tough to do as good as we had hoped since we lost great setting from Wornhoff," Shipman stated.

But before any roster changes had been made, the team had some highlights.

"The game against LaCrosse was tremendous," Josh Verbish bragged, "we kicked their butts!" The team came out in the first match of the VolleyCat Tourney, also their first match of the season, and lost the first game to LaCrosse, 5-15. They barely won the second game, 16-14, to even the match at 1-1.

"The third game was great because we just kept spiking it on them," Josh Verbish vividly recalled. The guys dominated, 15-5.

Josh Verbish, Jim Wallace, Dan Shipman, and Ike Boyer were all pulled up to varsity for the remainder of the season. The JV team hung in there, though, despite some players having to play all the way around the court.



■ Driving Force

Ike Boyer bumps the ball to his setter as they try for a second win against Morgan. But they were unsuccessful as they lost the match, 7-15, 14-16.

■ Boys' JV Volleyball

Front: Cory Knutson, Adam Walker, Ryan Longfellow, Jerrod Martin, and Tony Braner. **Back:** Jim Wallace, Dan Shipman, Jeff Wittenhagen, Josh Verbish, and Ike Boyer. **Not pictured:** Coach Scott Campbell.



■ Sweet Revenge

After the game against Morgan, the team heads to the locker room. Although they lost this match they defeated the Cherokees earlier in the season at the VolleyCat Tourney.

■ Return Flight

Soaring to new heights, JV's Ike Boyer and Josh Verbish show Morgan how it's done. During this match they tore up the court with their excellent defensive skills.

■ SCORES

Season Record: 2-9

PCC Record: 1-7

LaCrosse 8-15, 8-15

Morgan 15-8, 8-15, 15-6

LaCrosse 8-15, 8-15

Boone Grove 1-15, 0-15

Wheeler 5-15, 7-15

Hebron 12-15, 3-15

Kouts 7-15, 9-15

Wash. 15-10, 5-15, 8-15

Westville 17-15, 16-14

Morgan Twp. 7-15, 8-15

Wash. Twp. 13-15, 8-15

■ CLASS ACTS

T.J. O'CONNOR
MVP

TOM McLAUGHLIN
SERVING AWARD

ROB LONGFELLOW
SETTING AWARD



TOM McLAUGHLIN
TOUCHES ON

BEST MOMENT:
When Jerry-Larry hit six balls into the rafters at one practice.

SUPERSTITION:
"Wearing the number 13 because it's bad luck for whoever plays me."

DON'T BET MONEY ON IT

TOURNEY WIN MARKS HIGH POINT

■ BY KELLY KORTOKRAX

After losing the first game and being down 8-0 against Morgan Township, the boys' varsity volleyball team made an incredible recovery winning the next two games of the VolleyCat Tournament.

According to team members the biggest challenge was trying to learn to play together, bumping the ball to the setter, winning, and keeping the team focused all the time.

"It wasn't an exciting season winning only two," Coach Ron Szanyi commented.

"Winning isn't everything," T.J. O'Connor said. In fact, several individuals really shined.

Josh Verbish added, "I had an incredible season. At the Wheeler game, it was the best game I played. I had tons of blocks and kills, and the first game that I played for varsity. I went out and did good. It was my best for stats also. My passing and spiking was horrible and I had to practice it, but improved throughout the season."

"I think that if we would have tried more, then maybe we would have had different results," Josh Canarini concluded.

"My best memories are when Tim Sheehy head-butted Tom McLaughlin's nose while riding on the bus on the way home, McLaughlin had a broken nose and had to have an ice pack on it the rest of the night," Paul Hillebold recalled.

"I enjoyed watching T.J. O'Connor crashing into chairs, then beating the ground and ending up with a broken hand," Jason Carns said.

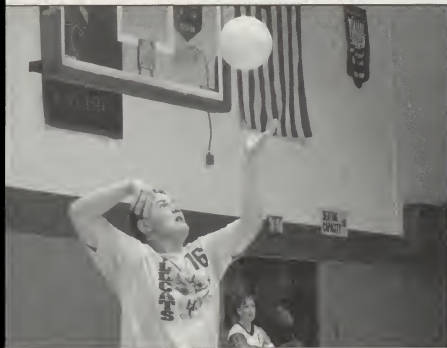


■ Up For The Kill

Spiking with aggression, senior Mike Ambroziak knocks the ball over to Washington Township's side of the net. Mike helped the team out with three kills during the game against the Senators.

■ Serving An Ace

In midair, sophomore Dan Shipman takes his turn at serving the ball and attempting to score a point. "I just try to keep my serves low and in bounds. Sometimes I get lucky," Dan said of his technique.



■ Pass It On

First-year varsity member Rob Longfellow concentrates on serving the ball over the net. Rob was the leading setter and captain of the team.

■ Boys' Varsity Volleyball

Front: Kevin Massengill, Jim Wallace, Josh Verbish, and Paul Hillebold. **Middle:** Doug Peters, Jason Carns, Mike Ambroziak, and Tom McLaughlin. **Back:** Ike Boyer, Rob Longfellow, T.J. O'Connor, Josh Canarini, and Dan Shipman. Not pictured: Coach Ron Szanyi.

■ JV SCORES

Season Record: 18-4

PCC Record: 7-1

Gavit 15-0, 15-2

Clark 10-15, 15-5, 16-18

Crown Point 15-12, 16-14

River Forest 15-0, 15-8

Munster 1-15, 1-15

S. Newton 15-5, 15-2

Whiting 15-11, 15-9

N. Newton 15-10, 15-10

Griffith 15-10, 15-13

Beecher 15-8, 15-13

Washville 15-1, 15-9

LaCrosse 15-7, 15-7

Wash. Twp. 15-12, 15-5

Kouts 15-7, 15-8

Lowell 15-8, 7-15, 6-15

Wheeler 13-15, 15-2, 15-9

Boone Grove 12-15, 13-15

Morgan 15-6, 5-15, 15-7

Hebron 15-8, 15-0

PCC Tournament:

Kouts 15-5, 15-5

Hebron 15-5, 15-6

Morgan Twp. 15-13, 15-0



CHRISTY HADUCH TOUCHES ON:

BEST MOMENT:
Beating up Morgan Township 15-0 in championship game and knowing we won the PCC title for the second year in a row.

MOTIVATIONAL PHRASE:
You must believe in your team, and everyone should work together.

SUPERSTITION:
We almost always won the coin toss.

JV GIRLS TOP CATS AT PCC

LOTS OF FOOD FUELS CHAMPS

■ BY KELLY KORTOKRAX



It was an exciting season for the girls' JV volleyball team with a huge winning season, going undefeated in the conference tournament, and taking the PCC tournament title against Morgan Township, 2-0.

"We have never had a more successful or more fun group," Coach Ann Thompson said.

"The whole season was awesome considering we all worked together as a team," Tammie Boersma and Christy Haduch commented.

"One of my best memories is when the whole team went to Chicken City before our tourney, and the team was in a great mood knowing that we had a good chance of winning. We ate tons of food and had a great time," Melanie Brumbaugh said.

Laura McClymount said, "My best memory is working together as a team while having fun, and enjoying Pizza Hut afterwards."

The freshman volleyball team also had a great season.

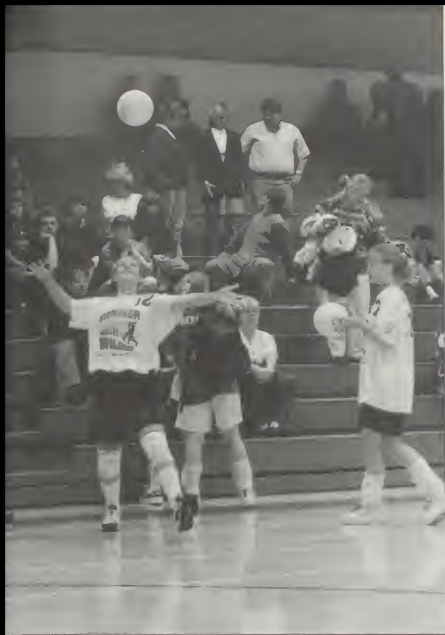
"I had three serves and they were all aces," Hillary Smith said.

"My best memory is when Jenny Bohling fell over the chairs while trying to get the ball," Rachel Laud commented.

"One of our challenges were practicing against JV and varsity considering how they were difficult since they were more experienced," Melody Willy said.



A TOUCH OF CLASS



■ Going Up

Junior Lynne Bohling practices her serving skills before the game against Washington Township on September 18. The team won the match with scores of 15-12 and 15-5.



■ Spiking Strong

Sophomore Melanie Brumbaugh goes for the kill, in the match against Washington Township's Lady Senators. "Spiking is the funnest part of the game," Melanie said. "You feel so proud when you spike the ball over the net."



■ Freshman Team

Front: Hillary Smith, Sarah Jager, Katie Turner, and Melody Willy. **Back:** Rachel Laud, Shannon McLaughlin, Amber West-erhoff, Jennifer Bohling, and Coach Tammy Sheehy.



■ Hands Up

Junior Lynne Bohling attempts a block on defense. "I love blocking the balls from the opponents. I think blocking is the easiest skill in playing volleyball," she said.

■ Girls' JV Volleyball

Front: Brienne Sheehy, Kristy Brownd, Laura McClymont, Linda Szyani, Tiffany Sheehy. **Back:** Christy Haduch, Tammi Boersma, Melanie Brumbaugh, Lynne Bohling, and Pam Peterson. **Not Pictured:** Coach Ann Thompson.

■ SCORES

Season Record: 15-13

PCC Record: 4-4

Gavit 3-15, 4-15

Clark 7-15, 15-17

Crown Point 14-16, 9-15

River Forest 15-12, 15-11

Munster 7-15, 9-15

S. Newton 15-13, 15-9

Whiting 3-15, 4-15

N. Newton 8-15, 15-1, 15-5

Griffith 15-8, 8-15, 15-11

Beecher 17-15, 15-11

LaCrosse 15-9, 15-11

Boone 15-11, 13-15, 15-6

Wheeler 15-7, 8-15, 15-13

Hebron 15-8, 10-15, 11-15

Wirt 15-0, 15-1

Griffith 15-13, 14-16, 15-7

Roosevelt 15-5, 15-1

Gavit 3-15, 15-10, 13-15

Kouts 8-15, 15-8, 11-15

Lowell 12-15, 7-15

Wash. Twp. 11-15, 11-15

Westville 15-1, 15-2

Morgan 13-15, 6-15

PCC Tourney:

Wash. 7-15, 15-5, 15-6

Hebron 5-15, 12-15

Sectional:

Boone Grove 15-9, 15-9

Wheeler 15-11, 3-15, 15-12

N. Newton 9-15, 11-15

■ CLASS ACTS

CARI PARKER
MVP

TRISHA ROBERTS
OFFENSIVE AWARD

NICOLETTE GASIOR
DEFENSIVE AWARD

CRYSTAL FISHER
SETTING AWARD

NICOLETTE GASIOR
SERVING AWARD

VIOLET TAYLOR
MOST IMPROVED

KARLEE RAWLINS
MENTAL ATTITUDE

TRISHA ROBERTS
CARI PARKER
ALL-PCC



WHAT GOES AROUND, COMES AROUND

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN



If a team beats you in a previous season, a goal for next year would be to avenge the loss, right? That was a goal of the varsity girls' volleyball team, and it was achieved—twice.

Hanover hadn't beaten Wheeler in 15 years and they lost to them three times in the '96 season. Now it was their turn to go home with a "W". The first time these two teams met, Hanover pulled away in three games. The second time they met it was no different, except that it was sectionals and if they had lost, the season would have been over. Three games again. A "W" again.

"My favorite game was the semi-finals of the sectional when we beat Wheeler for the second time," Cari Parker said. "It was a great feeling."

The team advanced to the sectional championship game against North Newton later that same evening. They fought hard, but lost in two games.

This was a well-rounded group of girls in all areas of the game, and boasted two All-Porter County Conference athletes in Cari Parker and Trisha Roberts.

"Our strong points were our positive attitudes. When we were all up as a team, we could do anything," Karlee Rawlins explained, "everything just seemed to 'click.'"

The team kept their heads up as they walked off their home court at sectionals. It was a night of great competition, athletics, teamwork, and fun. Everyone in the gym knew that.



■ Down on 'D'

Christy Koby plunges for the ball to save a point against Wheeler. "This was one of the best games I had all season," she said.

■ Girls' Varsity Volleyball

Front: Nicolette Gasior, Crystal Fisher, Jessica Hamlett, Christy Koby, and manager Emily Rawlins. **Back:** Coach Carol Grady, Karlee Rawlins, Trisha Roberts, Cari Parker, Violet Taylor, and Dana Freeman.



CHRISTY KOBY TOUCHES ON

BEST MATCH:
Wheeler

PREGAME ROUTINE:
*Being with my friends
and preparing for the
game.*

SUPERSTITION:
*Eating pasta before
every game*

MOST PUMPED-UP GAME:
*Sectionals against North
Newton.*



■ Settin' it up

Trying for a point, Crystal Fisher sets Trisha Roberts, for the kill against the Wheeler Bearcats. The girls went on to win the game, 15-7, 8-15, 15-13.

■ Killing it

Varsity's Trisha Roberts earns a point for the team, with one of her many spikes of the game. Trisha totaled 14 kills to help defeat the Lady Bearcats.

■ Cheerleaders

Front: Jessica Pralle, Jill Hoffman, Pam Peterson, and Chern Derousseau. **Middle:** Emily Gentry, Jeanette Luce, Teresa DeVine, Holly Panozzo, and Michelle Brezek. **Back:** Holly Gasior, Lindsay Shelby, Amanda Luce, Adam Walker, Kim Jens, Jill Gorny, and Becky Van Lear.



■ PomCats

Front: Renee Brumbaugh, Monique Barba, Angel Schuitema, Briana Wasylwi, Dana Freeman. **Middle:** Heidi Govert, Hillary Smith, Gretchen Govert, Nicole Carroll, Sabrina Murillo, Tammie Vassar, Samantha Samuels, Stephanie Geraci. **Back:** Alissa Wasylwi, Jennifer Wallace, Becky Scherer, Julie Ferry, Ann Horton, Amanda Amundson, Karlee Rawlins, Amber McDonald, Jenni Connor, Leslie Kaper.



PAM PETERSON TOUCHES ON:

BEST MOMENT:
"Getting the fans into the game"

BEST TIME:
"When we make a smiley face with our pom-poms"

MOTIVATIONAL PHRASE:
RAI! RAI! RAI!



RYAN NIEMEYER TOUCHES ON:

BEST MOMENT:
"The 'Blues Brothers' routine"

BEST TIME:
"Dancing in front of my friends"

BEST ADVICE:
Don't fall!

GETTING THE FANS INTO IT

THE ROAR OF THE CROWD

■ BY HEATH MONTGOMERY

If you went to a basketball game you saw them. They were the cheerleaders. Love them or hate them they were there. They stood on the sidelines and showed their undying devotion to their school with their cheering and yelling. There were eight varsity cheerleaders, led by captains Jill Hoffman and Holly Panozzo.

Holly recalled, "I was a cheerleader when I was in fifth grade and I enjoyed it a lot. I quit for a few years, but then rejoined in eighth grade because I like cheering and watching basketball games."

The cheerleaders entered two competitions: the NCA Cheer and Dance Competition, and the Midwest Cheer Dance Competition. At the NCA the JV placed third and the varsity placed sixth. At the Midwest Competition, the JV placed fourth, while the varsity took third.

Halftime...everyone loved it. The poms flooded the court and the fans sat ready to see an amazing high-energy performance.

Captain Angel Schuitema recalled, "My favorite routine was *America* because it took a lot of time and effort to get it together and the people enjoy high-energy performances."

Mike Wythe also enjoyed halftime. "I thoroughly enjoyed the pom performances. The way they used the fresh new dance moves and the hype beats they played excited me a great deal," he said. Poms didn't enter any intersquad competitions due to scheduling conflicts, but the fans didn't care.

"I wish I could come back next year and perform with everyone again," captain Monique Barba said. "I really enjoyed my years as a pom."



■ Poms go back

As Renee Brumbaugh and Nicole Carroll return to their old elementary school to entertain Jane Ball students with one of their pom routines, Renee has been a member for four years, while Nicole is in her second year as a PomCat.



■ No rest for us

During a brief timeout, the varsity cheerleaders show they don't need the whole halftime to get their point across.

■ Flying high

Showing off their high flying antics, the cheerleaders toss senior Jill Hoffman into the air to get the crowd fired up.

■ SCORES

Season Record: 12-11
PCC Record: None

Culver	39-33
South Newton	58-12
River Forest	60-24
Winamac	18-54
North Newton	27-39
Boone Grove	37-37
South Newton	60-12
Valparaiso	6-72
Griffith	12-59
Hammond	36-24
Gavit	28-42
Maniteno	36-30
Peotone	30-5
Gavit	24-48
Boone	42-33
Munster	12-65
Morton	21-45
River Forest	59-24
West Side	43-33
Clark	42-24
Whiting	30-35
Andean	39-33
North Newton	43-33
Bishop Noll	42-34
Sectionals	4th of 5

■ CLASS ACTS

TIM STANFORD

MVP
CONDITIONING AWARD
MOST TAKEDOWNS

TOM McLAUGHLIN

MOST PINS

BRIAN WESTERHOFF

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD



TIM STANFORD TOUCHES ON:

BEST MOMENT:
Beating Boone

BEST TIME:
"Pre-meet warm-ups."

FAVORITE OPPONENT:
Boone Grove

PLAYING THE NUMBERS GAME

SUCCESS FOR A FEW GOOD MEN

■ BY HEATH MONTGOMERY

Although there was a lack of participation in wrestling, the team did, in fact, do quite well. The Wildcats had a winning season, but some of the wrestlers had hoped for more.

Senior Joe Molnar said, "The season was not as good as I wanted it to be, yet it was a winning one none-the-less. I should have done more conditioning or been more of a leader to show others. I will tell the younger wrestlers my mistakes and it will make them better in the future."

The team practiced long and hard all season, including over winter break. However, no matter how hard they practiced, they lost some points due to a lack of numbers.

Senior Brian "Snakebite" Westerhoff commented, "I wish we would have had more wrestlers because we didn't have enough people to fill all of the classes and the other teams got points for free."

Nick Kowalczyk explained, "We had a lot of potential, but often we didn't show it. I look forward to showing my potential with the team as a whole proving that we are a powerhouse."

A common goal among every team is to improve from the previous year. Hanover did that, improving their winning percentage from .500 to .522. Winamac shut out the Wildcats last year, but this year Hanover scored 18 points against them even though this was not enough to win. The team set a school record with 151 reversals, breaking the previous record by 21. Also, there were four individuals wrestlers with 20 or more wins.



■ Getting ahead

Joe Molnar holds Dawson of North Newton down on the mat trying for the pin. Joe competed in the 152-pound weight class. He also put Hanover ahead in the match with this take down.

■ Winning move

Tossing him down, Adam Kowalczyk rolls on North Newton's Nard and takes him down for the count. Adam was 21-12 on the season, and competed in the 119-pound weight class. "We did good as a team because we worked hard," Adam said.



■ Python pressure

Varsity's Tom McLaughlin squeezes the life out of North Newton's Roberts, though the team lost to North Newton. "I wish I would have done better," Tom said. He ended up one pin away from the record.

■ Wrestling

Front: Tim Sheehy, John Schuitema, Tim Stanford, Adam Kowalczyk, and Jason Fair. **Middle:** Rich Dobin, Mike Cornett, Brian Westerhoff, and Nick Kowalczyk. **Back:** Coach Ron Szanyi, Rob Longfellow, Tom McLaughlin, Tony Kretz, and Chip Baacke.

■ SCORES

Season Record:	14-4
PCC Record:	7-1
North Newton	20-27
Gavit	43-14
Morgan Twp.	23-33
Wheeler	43-33
LaCrosse	49-13
Kouts	31-26
Morton	39-27
River Forest	39-17
Momence	32-16
Merrillville	45-43
Wheeler	41-23
Westville	34-11
Lowell	30-40
Washington Twp.	58-18
Hebron	37-21
Kankakee Valley	16-25
Boone Grove	31-20
Munster	37-25



TAMMI BOERSMA TOUCHES ON:

BEST GAME:
"Definitely Merrillville"

PRE-GAME RITUAL:
"Eat anything and
everything"

BEST MOMENTS:
"Blocking Christy
Haduch in many
practices"

WORST MOMENT:
"Losing to K.V."

GETTING A JUMP START

JV PROVES SIZE DOESN'T MATTER

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN



anover athletes didn't compete against Merrillville athletes very much throughout the year in various sports, but when they did it always seemed that Merrillville dominated. At least that was true until the JV girls' basketball team met the Lady Pirates in the Lowell Tourney. Finally the outcome favored HC. Most of the players agreed that that was the highlight of the season.

The team also had to learn how to be taught by a new coach. Last year's JV coach, Tim O'Connor, became varsity coach, so Leroy Hartman took the challenge. Neither of the coaches were faculty members, so after a full day of work, they came to be teachers of basketball.

"Our new coach was very good. He taught us a lot and he never gave up on us," Tammi Boersma commented. She was a sophomore transfer from Illiana Christian.

"Mr. Hartman always talked to us about our mistakes," Kelly Garrett added. "He was involved in our games and always gave us hope."

The chemistry on the team was a question mark at the beginning of the season. A new coach, a transfer, and many new freshmen could have made for a difficult situation. Despite those drawbacks, the team and coach boasted a 14-4 record.

"I was very impressed with the outcome of our season," Boersma said. So were many others. Despite returning only two members from last year, the freshmen proved worthy and stepped up showing great leadership and talent.



■ Prep time

Before the start of the Hebron game, Rachel Laud warms-up with Amber Westerhoff. Rachel finished with one point and one free throw. "The best moment was when we beat Merrillville. It was a big game for us," Rachel noted.

■ Let it fly

Freshman Catie Cornett practices her jump shot during warm-ups. She scored 25 points for the season. "I enjoyed playing basketball with everybody. When I want to have good luck, I always wear the same sports bra," she said.



■ In focus

As the crowd grows bigger, Megan Vassar works on her free throws before the start of the game. For the season she made one of nine attempts and scored 11 points.

■ Girls' JV Basketball

Front: Linda Szanyi, Sarah Jager, Catie Cornett, Claudia Reyes, Kelly Garrett, and Megan Vassar. **Back:** Rachel Laud, Tammi Boersma, Amber Westerhoff, Jennifer Bohling, Amy Gley, and Coach LeRoy Hartman.



■ SCORES

Season Record: 15-4

PCC Record: 6-2

North Newton 53-50

Gavit 54-35

Morgan Twp. 46-53

Wheeler 54-57

LaCrosse 64-25

Kouts 60-45

Morton 54-37

River Forest 43-35

Momence 51-49

Lowell 41-36

Washington Twp. 70-33

Hebron 50-41

Westville 55-25

Boone Grove 58-34

Kouts 50-49

Morgan Twp. 68-74

Kankakee Valley 33-49

Boone Grove 50-28

Munster 42-65

River Forest 48-40

North Newton 61-76

■ CLASS ACTS

MELANIE BRUMBAUGH

MOST REBOUNDS

BEST FIELD GOAL %

CHRISTY HADUCH

BEST FREE THROW %

CHRISTY BILINSKI

DEFENSIVE AWARD

MICHELLE YORK

MOST IMPROVED

CARA CAMPBELL

MARY-JO BISHOP

MENTAL ATTITUDE AWARD

ENTIRE TEAM

MVP



MELANIE BRUMBAUGH TOUCHES ON:

BEST GAME:

"Washington Twp.—23 points & 19 rebounds"

BEST MOMENT:

"Beating Lowell"

WORST MOMENT:

"Losing to North Newton at the buzzer."

PLAYING A DANGEROUS GAME

11-GAME WIN STREAK EASES THE PAIN

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN

She coined word in almost every sentence regarding girls' varsity basketball was 'obstacles.' There were numerous objects to work around as they headed into sectionals. Tim O'Connor took over the head coach spot after being the JV coach for two years. The team was also plagued with sickness, injury, and ineligibility.

Among the problems: Samantha Crane moved to another school at mid-term. In a very physical game, a girl from Kankakee Valley sat on Christy Haduch and split her chin open. She missed three games. Christy Bilinski was injured and Christy Koby was sick while they each missed some games. Cara Campbell injured her knee during the Westville game as she tried to pull the ball out and slow things down.

Amazingly, all of this helped the team in the long run.

"This was the closest team I have ever been on," Kristy Follmar said, "All the things that happened to us only made us work harder and become closer as a team."

Despite all, no team has a season with no highlights. The team played Morgan Twp. in the PCC tourney. The Cherokees, eventual runners up in the class 1A state basketball tournament, beat the Wildcats by only six points in a very intense and inspirational battle. The team was also ranked ninth in the area by The Times during their 11-game winning streak.

"Beating Lowell was definitely a high point," Melanie Brumbaugh stated, "Also, in Sectionals, the second half of the North Newton game we fought back from a deficit of more than 20 points. We were within single digits before we lost."

So, regardless of all the bad things that happened, the team played well as a team, and as everyone knows, only teams win games.



■ Free time

Michelle York practices her free throws with Lynne Bohling before the start of the game against Munster. Michelle made two of five free throw attempts in the game and 27 of 59 throws for the season.

■ Just looking

Running down the court, Kristy Follmar waits for a teammate to pass her the ball. She scored four points in their game against Munster.



■ Watchful eye

Waiting as the opponent shoots her free throw, Melanie Brumbaugh gets ready for a rebound. She averaged 10 rebounds per game and was named *The Times* player of the week.

■ Girls' Varsity Basketball

Front: Christy Billinski, Lynne Bohling, Michelle York, Christy Haduch, Cara Campbell, and Christy Koby. **Back:** Manager Jen Baacke, Melanie Brumbaugh, Samantha Crane, Amy LaVelle, Christy Follmar and Coach Tim O'Connor.

■ SCORES

Season Record: 5-15

PCC Record: 2-6

Wheeler 29-51

Washington Twp. 44-38

Morgan Twp. 36-40

LaCrosse 46-55

Gavit 19-45

Boone Grove 21-42

North Newton 25-28

River Forest 36-42

Kouts 31-41

Lake Station 46-32

Hebron 30-19

Lowell 40-34

North Newton 33-40

River Forest 42-43

Boone Grove 39-40

Whiting 45-42

Morton 26-38

Lowell 37-40

Rensselaer 23-52

Kankakee Valley 60-40



MIKE WICK TOUCHES ON:

BEST MOMENT:

At the end of a half, Joe Freeman stole the ball and turned and shot it from half court. It went in and the crowd went nuts.

BEST GAME:

Beating Lowell twice, but especially in the tourney game

A DEVIL OF A TIME

WINS OVER LOWELL CAP ROUGH SEASON

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN

The freshman boys' basketball team may not have had an outstanding record, but they showed how working as a team can help beat a long time rival. The team faced Lowell in a mid-season showdown and came out on top for the first time in their careers. They faced the Red Devils again in the first round of a tournament hosted by Lowell. They won again and that victory put them in the running for the championship.

"It felt good to beat Lowell twice and know we had a chance for first in the tourney," Nick Medrano said. The team didn't win the trophy, but the satisfaction of beating Lowell made it easier to get on the bus.

"The highlight of the season was definitely whooping on Lowell," Roger Niemeyer added. He and Chris Mantel were pulled up to JV after the freshmen season was over. Another highlight was when Joe Freeman drained an off-balanced half-court shot as the horn sounded in the first game of the season.

"It just felt like a normal shot to me," Joe casually explained as he relived the moment.

Rich Niemeyer and Adam Noel were rookie coaches with a rookie team. The freshmen didn't lose any players to JV full time during the season, so the team from junior high stayed intact. Their record was better than their eighth grade season record, so improvement was shown.

Besides improving the team's record, the goal to become better basketball players was obvious. The freshmen learned the fundamentals of the game and prepared themselves for the next level.



■ Dish it out

Showing unselfishness and team unity, Mike Wick passes to an open teammate during the River Forest game. Mike had a game-high six assists in the non-conference game.

■ Dunkin' Derek

Skying over everyone, Derek Barsic puts in two of his many points of the evening. He led the team in points and rebounds during the half of the season that he played.



■ Multi-talented

Deciding which play to call and looking for an open Wildcat to pass to, Ryan Otterman checks the clock, too. He could also walk and chew gum at the same time.

■ Freshman Basketball

Front: Ryan Otterman, Keith Krueger, John Teets, Joe Freeman, Mike Wick, Tony Braner. **Back:** Chris Mantel, Roger Niemeyer, Derek Barsic, Nick Medrano, Greg Barnes, and Andy Watkins. Not Pictured: Coach Adam Noel and Coach Rich Niemeyer.



■ Killer crossover

Junior Josh Canarini calls a play and starts to make his move on the Kouts opponent. With a little fancy footwork Josh easily went to the hoop for a score.



■ Hawk vision

After a steal and making a layup, sophomore Jim Zerby back-peddles down the court. With defense his game, he watched the point guard like a hawk watching its prey.



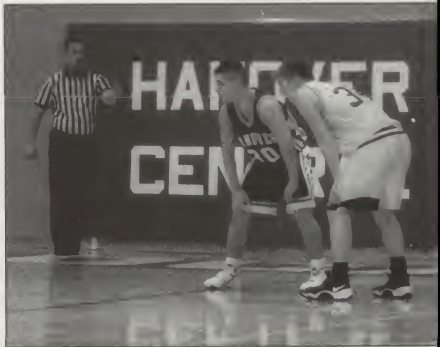
■ Boys' JV Basketball

Front: Manager Brad Bulkema, Jeff Keinzle, Kenny Ores, Jim Zerby, and Chris Stout.

Back: Dustin Sjoerdsma, Jake Viehman, Bob Kolada, Brian Schreiber, Josh Canarini, and Scott Klein. Not Pictured: Coach Chris York.

■ Perfect timing

Waiting for just the right moment get open, sophomore Chris Stout rests on his knees. "I enjoyed playing ball this year," Chris said, "despite our not-so-great record."



BELIEVING, SEEING, SURVIVING

A ROLLER COASTER SEASON

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN

When talking about a basketball team, experience is usually good. Maybe not in this case. The JV boys' team included a good mix of experienced juniors and sophomores. With not many new faces to learn, the team started off the season with a five-game losing streak. Ouch.

The sixth game was a win and a big one at that.

"Our first win gave the team the confidence that we were lacking," Brian Schrieber said. The team then looked forward to breaking out of its shell and winning some games. Unfortunately, the season went up and down from there. They won a game, then lost a game, a pattern that lasted for six straight games.

"We had the confidence that we were going to win before every game," Jim Zerby said, "but somehow we always fell apart."

The team did get some sweet revenge, though. In the PCC JV Tourney, the Wildcats went down fighting against an even Kouts team after leading most of the game. When the teams matched up again, the outcome favored Hanover.

"We really worked hard to avenge that loss," Chris Stout said, "Sometimes you don't get a chance to beat a team you already lost to in a season, so we were kind of lucky we had the opportunity. And just for the record, we shouldn't have lost the first time." It was a season full of 'shouldn'ts' and 'wouldn'ts', but what it really came down to was 'couldn't'.

The Wildcats had another five-game losing streak late in the season, but the guys still came to practice everyday. To do that not only took guts, but heart, too.

■ SCORES

Season Record:	5-14
PCC Record:	3-5
Kankakee Valley	28-52
Hammond Gavil	37-66
Hebron	34-49
Washington Twp.	36-47
Griffith	23-43
Lake Station	38-35
Lowell	27-33
Westville	54-30
Boone Grove	28-41
Beecher	57-20
Kouts (PCC)	37-48
Morgan Twp.	41-53
North Newton	39-44
Hammond Morton	40-41
LaCrosse	52-59
Wheeler	39-56
Kouts	55-49
Whiting	44-43
River Forest	39-45



JEFF KEINZLE TOUCHES ON:

BEST GAME:

Avengeing the loss we had to Kouts in the PCC Tourney

BEST TIMES:

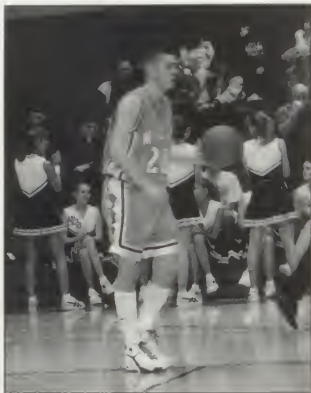
Anytime after we won a game

FAVORITE QUOTE:

"You're as nervous as a long-tailed cat in a room full of rocking chairs."

■ No sweat

Being the point guard and the floor leader was a high pressure situation, but sophomore Dan Shipman remains calm and cool on the court. Here, the floor general prepares to call a play against rival Kouts.



■ Earning points

Trying to relax, senior Brian York wipes the sweat from his hands before shooting a free throw. York led the team in scoring with a 13.4 point average.



■ Boys' Varsity Basketball

Front: Josh Verbish, James Crist, Dan Shipman, Ike Boyer, Brian York, and Manager Brad Buikema. **Back:** Manager Kevin Massengill, T.J. O'Connor, Steve Rizo, Mike Ambroziak, Jason Carns, Dustin Sjordesma, and Brian Schreiber. Not pictured: Coach Larry Govert.

■ Take 5-seconds

With a fast offense, a break in the action allows time to clean off your shoes or wet your mouth piece. Jason Carns, Brian York, and Josh Verbish take a minute to catch their breath.



JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT

REBUILDING WITH A HUMOROUS STYLE

■ BY HEATH MONTGOMERY

After losing two all-conference players, the local newspapers didn't think the Wildcats would win many boys' varsity basketball games. "The Wildcats will have a season of rebuilding," the Times newspaper declared.

"I thought this year was more of a learning season than a rebuilding season," senior "Phat" Mike Ambroziak said. To counter the paper, Channel 56 said other teams should watch out for the Wildcats at the end of the season because they would be a strong team.

Brian York added, "I wish we would have had a better record this year, but I know that the underclassmen are going to benefit from this season and it will help them in the years to come."

Defensively the 'Cats depended on Jason Carns, a shot-blocking specialist. "It feels good (to block shots) because the crowd goes wild and that makes me feel great." He averaged 1.6 blocks per game during the regular season and was a major point contributor.

While the team struggled with winning, they had little trouble keeping up their morale. Fun was evident right to the end.

Senior T.J. O'Connor recalled, "There couldn't have been a better bunch of guys to play with. I will miss the after-game activities most. Our singing and dancing highlighted each evening we had a game."

For the sake of team unity the majority of players shaved their heads for the sectional game against Wheeler, even if they did not want to.

Ryan Niemeyer noted, "The team we had this year was most definitely the most handsome team Hanover has ever had."

■ SCORES

Season Record:	7-13
PCC Record:	3-5
Kankakee Valley	50-56
Gavit	47-48
Hebron	55-57
Washington Twp.	47-36
Griffith	54-67
Lake Station	45-58
Lowell	66-74
Boone Grove (PCC)	53-55
Beecher	51-46
Westville	70-53
Boone Grove	48-52
Morgan Twp	46-75
North Newton	66-65
Morton	52-43
LaCrosse	58-62
Wheeler	61-59
Kouts	60-82
Whiting	64-43
River Forest	59-70
Wheeler (sectional)	56-63

■ CLASS ACTS

JASON CARNS

Co-MVP
Most Rebounds

BRIAN YORK

Co-MVP
Defensive Award

RYAN NIEMEYER

Offensive Award

DAN SHIPMAN

Mental Attitude



RYAN NIEMEYER TOUCHES ON:

BEST MOMENT:

When York tied the score against Boone in the last seconds

WORST MOMENT:

Losing to Boone by a last second shot

BEST GAME:

Scoring 30 points against Griffith

■ SCORES

Season Record: 13-0
PCC Record: 8-0

Gavit	109-13
South Newton	92-15
Boone Grove	82-37
Wheeler	82-38
North Newton	89-20
Hebron	82-41
Morgan Twp.	84-39
Kouts	88-35
Westville	104-14
LaCrosse	103-16
Washington Twp.	93-26
Hanover Relays	1st of 6
Calumet Inv.	1st of 9
PCC Meet	1st of 8
Lowell	92-30
Lake Station	99-23
Sectional	3rd of 12
Regional	12th of 41
State	2 qualifiers

■ CLASS ACTS

TRISHA ROBERTS
MVP

MICHELLE YORK
OUTSTANDING RUNNER

KRISTY FOLLMAR
MENTAL ATTITUDE

LINDSAY SHELBY
MOST IMPROVED

KELLY GARRETT
ROOKIE OF THE YEAR



CHRISTY FOLLMAR
TOUCHES ON:

BEST MEET:
Sectionals—We broke many records and qualified many people for regionals.

TEAM TRAIT:
Spandex shorts

FUNNIEST QUOTE:
"Does anyone want to swim?"

PUTTING STRETCH IN A STREAK

EIGHT-YEAR DOMINATION CONTINUES

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN

Someone needs to make a movie about the girls' track and field team. The Lady Wildcats won the PCC Meet and the round-robin for the eighth straight year. It has been eight-tenths of a decade since the girls have even lost a conference meet. The relentless pursuit of the streak is what the girls pushed themselves for every day.

This was the season of "Great Eights." In addition to winning Hanover Relays and the Calumet Invitational, the girls qualified eight people in eight different events at sectionals on their way to placing third. The team also boasted two individual qualifiers for the state meet in Indianapolis: Christy Bilinski in long jump and sectional champion Trisha Roberts in high jump.

"I knew I wouldn't be at state if I missed 5' 2", and I missed it," Trisha recalled, "but fortunately, the meet official made a mistake in the placing and my dream came true." Christy placed fourth in long jump and only the top three places normally advance, but she made the state qualifying mark of 17' 2", tying the school record.

At sectionals Roberts tied another school record, in high jump, at 5' 3". Also, the 1600-meter relay team of Michelle York, Roberts, Kristy Follmar, and Bilinski shattered the old mark of 4:17 by seven seconds at regionals. The 400-meter relay team of Bilinski, Becky Van Lear, Monique Barba, and Roberts ran a :51.8 to break a 15-year-old record. And Kristy Follmar lowered her own standard in the 300-meter low hurdles to :47.1.

The winning tradition lived on as a new tradition began. The girls started "Spandex Day" during practice to show team unity. That's a nice twist to a movie. Does anyone know Steven Spielberg's phone number? He has another sure blockbuster right here.



■ Ready to run

Senior Monique Barba and freshman Becky Van Lear prep themselves for the 400-meter relay race at PCC. A few days later at sectionals, the relay team destroyed a 15-year-old school record in the event.

■ No turning back

Living her dream to reach the state finals and long jump on the IUPUI track in Indianapolis, Christy Bilinski stretches an attempt in the trials. Although she didn't score, the junior could return next year.



■ This ain't limbo

Field events were a team strength with junior Trisha Roberts jumping her way at state. She also won the Merrillville Sectional title with a school record-tying jump of 5'3".

■ Girls' Track

Front: Manager Kacy Seaton, Kelly Garrett, Megan Vassar, Hillary Smith. **Second Row:** Cherri Derousseau, Becky Van Lear, Christy Bilinski, Jenn Connor, Monique Barba, Lindsay Shelby. **Third Row:** Emily Rawlins, Karlee Rawlins, Kristy Follmar, Holly Panozzo, Michelle York. **Back:** Trisha Roberts, Ann Horton, Coach Carol Grady, Coach Bonnie Beamer, Julie Ferry, Shannon McLaughlin.

■ Proper place

Running where the Wildcat boys' track team has been for the last several seasons, sophomore Jim Zerby leads the pack at PCC. He has been a sprint specialist for the team for two years.



■ Phat chance

Senior Mike Ambrozak, known as "Phat" to friends and teammates, shows he can jump the distance while helping the team score at Regionals.



■ Boys' Track

Front: Jim Zerby, Tim Stanford, Cecil Pendleton, Chip Baacke, Chris Reh. **Second Row:** Phil Nelson, Rich Doblin, Ben Kortokrax, Scott Klein, Chris Mantel, Mike Shaw, Ryan Longfellow. **Third Row:** Omar Sanchez, Nick Medrano, Jeff Wittenhagen, Josh Canarini, Mike Urena, Tim Surprise, Coach Chris York. **Back:** Chris Slout, Coach Steve Foulds, Rob Longfellow, Tom McLaughlin, Mike Ambrozak, Brian York, Dan Shipman, Dominick Kortokrax, and Jason Gore.

■ Sky high

As though leaping in a single bound, senior Tim Stanford successfully clears 12 feet in the regional pole vault competition. The mark was a personal best and he just missed at 12'6".



WE DON'T FADE AWAY

CONFERENCE CHAMPS 'THREE-PEAT'

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN

At the Lowell Relays, Griffith made a comment after the meet was over. They said "You can't fade the champions." They thought they had the meet won, but when the final scores were tallied up, Griffith lost by two points. Hanover won the Relays for the first time in eight years. They also won the round-robin and the PCC Meet championships, and the Hanover Relays.

Again, the Wildcats were not favored to win the PCC Meet if totaling up the seed points. Seeds, however, were just numbers on paper. When the meet was over, HC dominated the PCC, winning by almost 70 points.

"We knew we could win the meet if we just raced at our level," Josh Canarini said. Josh was the conference champion in the 110-meter high hurdles. He was joined on the all-conference team with Jason Gore in the 300 low hurdles, Scott Klein in the 800-meter run, and the 3200-meter relay team which ran a meet and school record with a time of 8:19.1.

Another school record was broken when the 1600-meter relay team ran a 3:36.2 against Lowell. Then, the team consisted of Mike Ambroziak, Brian York, Chris Mantel, and Jason Gore. Later in the season it was broken with Omar Sanchez instead of Chris Mantel in a time of 3:35.8.

Sectionals showed the bigger schools that this team was for real as they qualified people in six different events for the regional meet at Valparaiso. Hanover placed third as a team, beating many bigger schools.

So, as the saying went, "You can't fade the champions," but for this year the saying was simply, "We *are* the champions."

■ SCORES

Season Record:	15-0
PCC Record:	8-0
Munster	85-47
Hammond Gavit	76-55
South Newton	87-26
North Newton	93-25
Wheeler	67-65
Boone Grove	105-27
Hebron	85-46
Morgan Twp.	105-27
Kouts	82-50
Westville	105-27
Washington Twp.	111-20
LaCrosse	104-27
PCC Meet	1st of 9
Lake Station	97-34
Lowell	67-65
River Forest	107-24
Lowell Relays	1st of 4
Sectionals	3rd of 12
Regionals	16th

■ CLASS ACTS

SCOTT KLEIN
MVP DISTANCE

JASON GORE
MVP SPRINT

TOM McLAUGHLIN
MVP FIELD EVENTS

JOSH CANARINI
MOST IMPROVED



JASON GORE TOUCHES ON:

BEST MEET:
Winning PCC

TOUGHEST MOMENT:
Falling in the 300-low
against Hebron

NEAR MISS:
Running a :39.17 at
Regionals in the
hurdles, missing the
record by .05 second

■ SCORES

Season Record: 15-9

PCC Record: 8-0

Chesterton 2-7

Beecher 0-7

North Newton 8-0

Westville 15-0

Lowell 1-0

Hebron 6-4

LaCrosse 7-0

River Forest 12-6

Kouts 7-0

Crown Point 0-10

Morgan Twp 20-3

East Chicago 14-1

Washington Twp. 16-1

Wheeler (PCCT) 5-3

Morgan (PCCT) 3-6

Boone Grove 15-0

Griffith 0-7

Munster 2-4

Whiting 2-0

Clark 2-5

Morton 5-1

Morgan Twp. (Sect.) 4-7

■ CLASS ACTS

NICOLETTE GASIOR
MVP, MOST IMPROVED

MELANIE
BRUMBAUGH
OFFENSE AWARD

JESSICA BATES
DEFENSE AWARD

LINDA SZANYI
MENTAL ATTITUDE



MEL BRUMBAUGH
TOUCHES ON:

BEST GAME:
Lowell

BEST TIME:
Going to Pizza Hut
after beating Lowell.

EMBARRASSING
MOMENT:

After sectionals I got
on Morgan's bus.

SIMPLY THE BEST EVER

GIRLS CLAIM FIRST PCC TITLE

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN

As they left the field in a heart-breaking PCC Tourney loss to Morgan Township, one thought still lingered in the back of the softball team's minds. "We're the best softball team Hanover has ever had." How about that for optimism?

The Lady Wildcats boasted an 8-0 conference record to bring home the PCC round-robin championship. To capture the title they had to go through Boone Grove, which was their last game of the conference season. The Lady Wildcats shut them out, 15-0. They also beat Morgan Twp. in the regular season, but fell short in the tourney.

"This really is the best team ever because we actually had a winning record," Nicolette Gasior said. They also beat Lowell, who was ranked fourth in the area at that time, to snatch their own area ranking. They hovered around the top ten for almost a month.

A JV team was added this season after so many girls turned out.

"The addition of the JV team was good for the younger players," Lynda Szanyi said, "It gave other people more experience."

The season was also one of the greatest for most players.

"We had so much fun because we all got along," Melanie Brumbaugh explained, "We were a very close team."

The best was certainly something to be proud of, and the softball team was nothing short of that.



■ Returning

Team MVP Crystal Fisher drives the ball out to the fence. At the plate, Melanie Brumbaugh waits for her at bat so she could bring in some runs.

■ Girls' Junior Varsity Softball

Front: Katie Turner, Corri Priebe, Kirby Heindel, Amber Westerhoff. **Back:** Coach Larry McMillen, Angie Clark, Nicki Panozzo, Katie Holmes, Coach Lisa Szanyi.



■ Power player

At the plate waiting for her pitch, sophomore Melanie Brumbaugh waits to drive in a run against Hammond Clark. She was three for three at bat in the game.

Girls' Varsity Softball

Front: Linda Szanyi, Tiffany Sheehy, Sara Jager, Michelle Borger, Brienne Sheehy. **Middle:** Katie Cornett, Michelle Roak, Melanie Brumbaugh, Lynne Bohling, Jill Gorny, Jessica Bates. **Back:** Crystal Fisher, Nicolette Gasior, Coach Larry McMillen, Coach Lisa Szanyi, and Jenny Bohling.

■ SCORES

Season Record: 13-5

PCC Record: none

Griffith	169-172
River Forest	170-181
Lowell	167-169
Portage	167-159
Morton	165-203
Wheeler	163-183
Kankakee Valley	163-166
Rensselaer	183-169
Lowell	183-174
Bishop Noll	160-161
River Forest	160-228
Gavit	178-207
South Newton	171-205
Boone Grove	166-190
Lake Station	170-251
North Newton	169-171
Lake Central	159-137
Merrillville	161-160
Elkhart Tourney	2nd of 6
KV Invite	9th of 17
Rensselaer Inv.	11th of 20
Boone Grove Inv.	4th of 8
Iaconetti Inv.	13th of 16
Lake Central Inv.	6th of 9
Sectional	6th of 13

■ CLASS ACTS

JASON DERYBOWSKI
MVP

STEVE WICK
MOST IMPROVED

CRAIG MURRIAN
MENTAL ATTITUDE



JAY DERYBOWSKI TOUCHES ON:

BEST MATCH:
Shooting a 34-even
par at Robbinhurst to
become a medalist

EXCITING MOMENT:
Watching Mike Petros
win a playoff hole to
place fifth at the
Elkhart Memorial
Tournament

AVOIDING A 'SLICE' OF LIFE

AND DEALING WITH THE "HOOKS"

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN



For each of the past five seasons, the golf program has improved its record. Last season and this season, Coach John Brindley had to make cuts from the JV team due to large turnouts. It was just another kind of slice prospective players had to avoid.

The young golfers earned a total of nine varsity letters. They also tied the school record for the lowest team average (171.9). The varsity had another strong season, finishing 13-5, the second best record in school history. Ineligibility was the only downfall of the season.

"We had a very good team," Craig Murrian said, "but because of grades we lost two good players."

Still, the season had its highlights. Murrian shot a one over par 37 on nine holes to win the Boone Grove Invite.

Steve Wick shot an 86 at the sectional held at Lake Hills Country Club and represented Hanover at the regional meet in Portage.

Team MVP Jason Derybowski also has a fine season. "My favorite match was at Indian Ridge where I shot a one under par 35 which is my personal best in school competition," he explained.

It may be debatable, but golf may be one of the hardest sports to play. Picture hitting a one-inch ball 300 yards into a four-inch hole. Then try doing that nine or 18 times in a row. The challenge allured even the youngest players.

According to Coach Brindley, the JV team "had a good season" as they learned to negotiate a variety of courses and learn to play in a variety of conditions so they could eventually "hook"-up with the varsity.



A TOUCH OF CLASS



■ "Wedged" in

Taking a bite of sand and (hopefully) onto the green is a determined Craig Murrian, member of the varsity squad. Fortunately, though, Craig didn't leave the ball in the dust, just the other schools.

■ Boys' JV Golf

Front: Todd Goldie, Nathan Greer, Cory Knutsen, and Andy Miller. **Back:** Michael Stamate, Bryant Besson, Coach John Brindley, Bill Surprise, and Nick Moniak

■ SCORES

• JV Season Record:	6-6
• JV PCC Record:	none
• Griffith	179-178
• River Forest	181-274
• Lowell	189-274
• Portage	189-178
• Morton	192-255
• Wheeler	189-173
• Kankakee Valley	189-201
• Rensselaer	218-207
• Lowell	218-204
• River Forest	193-216
• Boone Grove	178-194
• Merrillville	186-180
• LaVille 9/10 Invitational	15th of 17



■ Seeing green

So close, yet so far away. Chipping is one of the overlooked points of golf, though, it is one of the finer points of the game. Honing his skills at Lake Hills is Heath Montgomery.

■ Boys' Varsity Golf

Front: Kyle Dill, Jim Wallace, Eric Krueger, Brad Rinearson, and Paul Hillebold. **Back:** Jason Derybowski, Heath Montgomery, Craig Murrian, Steve Wick, and Coach John Brindley.



■ Return to sender

Teresa Devine follows through after returning a speedy ball. As a senior, she made more of the close calls and smashes.

■ Double crossed

A little crossed up on her backhand return, Briana Wasyliw makes the play during warm-ups before the Boone Grove match.



■ Girls' JV Tennis

Front: Tammie Boresma, Claudia Reyes, Holly Gasior, and Jillian Janicki. **Back:** Colleen Seaton, Jenni Wallace, Kim Jens, and Amy Gley. **Not pictured:** Coach Greg Whitacre.



■ Girls' Varsity Tennis

Front: Samantha Enyeart, Teresa Devine, and Amanda Haig. **Back:** Briana Wasyliw, Christy Haduch, Katie Smit, and Jenni Olenick. **Not pictured:** Coach Greg Whitacre.

■ Easy does it

Receiving service with a smile, sophomore Jenni Olenick easily returns the ball. Jenni said she has enjoyed both of her years on the tennis team.



NO 'LOVE' LOST

A SEASON OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BY SCOTT KLEIN

So, '40-love' wasn't the name of a new adult contemporary band, it was what the tennis team was saying to their opponents. Forty-love is the score when a player is up four to zero in a match.

One player wasn't saying '40-love' the entire season. Injury was in store for senior Amanda Haig who hurt herself in the Bishop Noll game. While chasing after a ball, she sprained her left ankle.

"I just heard a cracking sound," Amanda said as she replayed it in her mind. She played number three singles and was replaced by Holly Gasior for the next four games.

Briana Wasylw, who played number one singles, reflected on her favorite match. "We were at Whiting," she said, "The girl I was playing was really good and the match went to a tie breaker. She was really nice and it seemed more like fun than competition." Briana lost the match, but the sportsmanship shown by both girls made it an easier loss.

For the new players, having butterflies was an obstacle that took work to overcome.

"I did get nervous before games at the beginning of the season," rookie Tammi Boersma said, "but it eventually wore off."

An incident not forgotten was the E.C. Central Classic Tournament. The Lady Wildcats and Hobart advanced to the championship match, but Hobart decided they couldn't stay and duke it out. Coach Whitacre persisted in trying reschedule on a day that the teams did not have a match. However when Hobart refused, he left frustrated, not knowing if his team could have been crowned champions. There was certainly no love lost between the teams and coaches. And the match never was played.

SCORES

Varsity Record:	9-7
PCC Record:	none
Lake Station	0-5
Lowell	0-5
Kankakee Valley	1-3
E.C. Central (Classic)	3-2
Morton (E.C. Classic)	4-1
Hobart (E.C. Classic)	0-1
Gavit	0-5
Hammond High	5-0
Wheeler	3-2
Calumet	2-3
Kankakee Valley	3-2
Bishop Noll	2-3
River Forest	1-4
E.C. Central	4-1
Whiting	4-1
Hammond Morton	4-1
Boone Grove	4-1
Calumet (sectional)	2-3
Varsity advances to Regionals	

JV Record:	7-4-3
PCC Record:	none

Scores not available

CLASS ACTS

BRIANA WASYLW
MVP

CHRISTY HADUCH
MENTAL ATTITUDE

SAMANTHA ENYEART
MOST IMPROVED



BRIANA WASYLW
TOUCHES ON:

BEST MATCH:
At regionals against
a player from
Kankakee Valley

FUNNIEST MEMORY:
At a home match,
a boy from Gavit
pushed me off the
bridge by our courts.
I was covered in mud.

■ SCORES

Varsity Record: 7-14

PCC Record: 5-3

Whiting	8-3
Griffith	0-6
Gavit (dh)	3-15, 1-11
Lowell	5-13
Washington Twp.	1-4
Morgan Twp.	11-3
Lake Central	12-0
Beecher (dh)	0-5, 0-5
Kouts	1-11
Hebron	9-3
Westville	12-1
LaCrosse	3-6
Boone Grove	9-0
North Newton	5-15
Wheeler	16-6
River Forest	8-0
Wheeler (PCCT)	9-19
Crown Point	2-8
Boone Grove (Sect.)	3-9

JV Scores not available

■ CLASS ACTS

TONY KRETZ

MENTAL ATTITUDE

RYAN BRUMBAUGH

PITCHING AWARD
ALL-PCC

JEREMIAH JOHNSON

MOST IMPROVED

DENNIS SJOERDSDMA

INFIELD DEFENSE AWARD

RYAN ANDREWS

OUTFIELD DEFENSE AWARD

IKE BOYER

OFFENSE AWARD



RYAN NIEMEYER

TOUCHES ON:

BEST GAME:

Shutting-out Boone

FUNNIEST MOMENT:

When Matt Eberle slid into the dugout.

FAVORITE QUOTE:

"Get in front of the ball you @#%!"

IF YOU CAN GO HOME YOU CAN WIN

WILDCATS WET 'N WILD IN THE PCC

■ BY SCOTT KLEIN



If the baseball team had to make an excuse about something they could always blame El Niño. Everyone heard about the Blizzard of '98, but no one heard about the Flood of '98, except the baseball players. It rained for 10 straight days during the middle of the season. That made it hard to play at "The Swamp," Hanover's field, or any other field in the area.

El Niño had no effect on the defeat of Boone Grove. Yes, Boone Grove. Yes, the same Boone that was ranked preseason number one in Class 2A state baseball. Yes, the same Boone that was ranked number six in the same category at the time the Wildcats shut them out. Yes, shut them out. How about 9-0?

"Beating Boone was tremendous," Ryan Niemeyer said, "If we can't be round-robin champs, why shouldn't we make it hard for someone else?" Hanover handed the Wolves their only PCC loss.

Some people thought the Wildcats were lucky to beat Boone, but a week later another good conference team came to town: Wheeler. The umpires felt sorry for the Bearcats when they called the game in the sixth inning because of the slaughter rule. That is, when a team was up by 10 runs late in the game. Hanover dominated, 16-6.

Hanover had its best PCC record in school history, finishing at 5-3. Ryan Brumbaugh also was named to the all-conference team.

Swamp or no swamp and despite El Niño's drenching of the field, the Wildcats proved they could blow away some excellent PCC competition. It truly was "Home Sweet Home."



■ On bended knee

Kneeling for a low pitch, Ryan Brumbaugh practices a bunt. His spectacular pitching (a PCC ERA of .066), helped him shut out top-ranked Boone Grove and trounce Wheeler.

■ Varsity Baseball

Front: Ryan Niemeyer, Jeremiah Johnson, Ike Boyer, Tony Kretz. **Middle:** Alan Myszkowski, Dustin Sjoerdsma, Matt Eberle, Ryan Brumbaugh, and Kevin Massengill. **Back:** Roger Niemeyer, Bo Speicher, Jeff Peterson, Chris Wornhoff, and Ryan Andrews. **Not pictured:** Coach Ron Szanyi.



■ JV Baseball

Front: Bobby Mirich, Kit Stanberry, Jeff Kienzie, Steve Wick, Dan Deatherage. **Middle:** Derrick Poper, Quinn Kovacs, Mike Van Asdell, Tim Schotke, Trent Flournoy, Jason Lord. **Back:** Coach Wally Van-Roo, Nick Kowalczyk, Adam Meyer, Matt Urbanczyk, Tony Kretz, and Adam Kowalczyk.

■ Poper power

One one of the drier days of spring, Derrick Poper winds up for the pitch on the home mound.

■ Taking a 'Stan'

Having a little fun warming up before a game, Kit Stanberry focuses on a practice toss.



A S E N S E O F H A N O V E R

perfect vision

• AN EYE FOR AN EYE •



"Whatever is comfortable, I wear, or what looks good."

-Christy Bilinski

Adolescents changed as quickly as a blink of an eye. They tried to be seen in the eye of another as someone they were not, trying gain the acceptance of another who normally wouldn't pay any attention. In some cases, though, the way one dressed or acted was a clue to identity. It was who they were. It was hard to be blind to that.

"The complete relaxation I feel everyday and the solitude of direct happiness in which I cope with is outwardly expressed indirectly through my behavior, attitude, personality, and appearance," junior Jeremiah Johnson said.

Senior Christy Bilinski noted, "I suppose that if I dressed in dirty clothes, people would tend to avoid me."

In other words, "an eye for an eye," meant seeing people for who they really were.



"I look and feel great."

-Jeremiah Johnson

■ BY NICK KOWALCZYK

● MRS. VIRGINIA HALVORSON'S French 3 class celebrates the French holiday Mardi Gras, which means "Fat Tuesday," by making mask and traditional food items such as crepes, tarts, and Napoleons. The holiday is still celebrated on the Tuesday before Lent.

ONE OF A

BY KELLY KORTOKRAX

Mr. James Nicholas, business teacher, retired at the end of the school year after 32 years at Hanover. A married man with two children and four grandchildren, he was in the military and said his exciting years were in college, but he joked that he had no comments for that.

Among his favorite memories were "all the wonderful students and teachers I have met."

He was here through all the building expansions, so you know he was here for a long time. He served as chief negotiator for the teachers organization for many years, as well.

"Mr. Nick," taught accounting all 32 years, as well as introduction to business, business law, and typing until the school switched from typewriters to computers. He didn't like to work with the computers, so he quit when they came.

Early in his career he coached freshman basketball for a year, varsity basketball for three years, and track for several years.

Viewed as a very funny man, he had countless stories and you knew you would end up laughing when he was done relating them.

The last thing Mr. Nicholas had to say was that he just wanted to be remembered by "how I survived all the wonderful students and teachers I've met."



■ *Accounting for himself*

Having taught for 32 years, Mr. James Nicholas is a man of few surprises. "I am like an open book; everyone knows everything about me," Mr. Nicholas noted. "What you see is what you get."

FOUND



Bonnie Beamer, Health, Girls' Phys. Ed.
Linda Beard, Choirs
Kriste Bell, Pre-Vocational
Gregg Brandlich, Nurse
John Brindley, Athletic Director



Deborah Cummings, Cafeteria
Coleen Darnell, Office Aide, PomCats
Marilyn Dema, Custodian
Lori Devine, Cafeteria
Judy Devries, Pre-Vocational



Douglas Devries, Assistant Principal
Mary Joan Dickson, Suspension
Elaine Edwards, Secretary
William Edwards, Maintenance
Sharon Eged, Cafeteria



Ruth Eskilson, Home Economics
Joseph Fetty, Principal
Mike Frazier, Journalism, English
Lila Garrett, Counselor
John Gorbali, Bands



Carol Grady, Girls' Phys. Ed., Health
Louis Greer, Art
Marcia Gross, Math
Virginia Halvorsen, French
Genie Holmberg, Cheer Coach, Cafeteria



Norman Holmes, Industrial Arts
James Hundley, Attendance
Marilyn Imboden, Cafeteria Manager
Sandy Kiechle, English
Jean Kirk, Home Economics

Jean Kirk, Home Economics
 Bobbi Knight, Cafeteria
 Lisa Koester, Athletic Director Assistant
 Mandy Kozlowski, Guidance
 Robert Kroh, Science



Barbara Kubiak, Librarian
 Steve Landis, English
 George Letz, Superintendent
 Judith Lueder, Bookkeeper
 Cheryl Muchman, Art



James Nicholas, Business
 Wendy Obrenski, Science
 Millie Postma, Math
 Gene Rajchel, English
 Nadene Rastall, Library



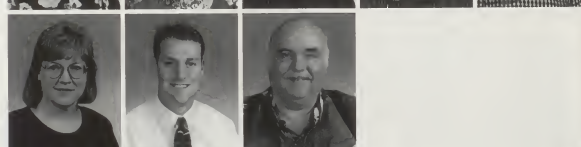
Jeff Rhody, Science
 Kelli Ribicki, Cafeteria
 Pamela Roberts, Pre-Vocational
 Donna Seegers, Guidance
 Arden Smith, Industrial Arts



Connie Stott, Custodian
 Ann Thompson, Social Studies
 William Whitestone, Business
 Betty Wilkerson, Guidance Counselor
 Sandra Will, Pre-Vocational



Barb Williams, Math
 Chris York, Social Studies
 Gary Young, English



A SHARPER

BY KEY STAFF WRITERS

What improvements and changes did Hanover Central make? Teachers and administrators introduced "Success Period" before school three days each week to allow more personal attention to those students who needed a boost or just wanted to spend more time on their classwork.

Christy Bilinski, who took advantage of the new system, said, "I like how it gives you more personal time to work with the teacher. In Multimedia, it lets you work without having everyone else around. It just gives you more time to work."

The lines of communication literally improved in December when telephones were installed in each classroom. Naturally, students didn't always think that such a close link between teachers and parents was always a great idea. Special features of the new system included conference calling and a quick link to other classrooms. The administration hoped to add a "home-work hotline" within the year.

There was a little more space available when the sixth graders left the junior high for the elementary schools, so In-School Suspension finally found a permanent site in J-1.

More computers, laser disc players, and technology found homes throughout the building. A new P.A. system replaced the antique communication board, and accurate clocks were installed where needed. A new electronic tone signaled the start and end of all class periods, and everyone was finally able to stay on the same timetable. Of course, that meant tardy times were standardized, as well. It seemed for some, "improvement" was just a matter of perspective.

■ Talk's not cheap

During homeroom, Mr. Joseph Totty reads the announcements over the new P.A. system. The \$14,000 unit, which featured a CD player and cassette deck, replaced the 35-year-old original board. It was part of an electronics package in the school's technology plan.



■ School Board

Mrs. Joan Torrence, Mrs. Patricia Kocot, Mr. Sam Tortorici, president; Mrs. Kay Sheehy, secretary; and Mr. Roger Patz, vice president

IMAGE

HINDSIGHT

11/20/20

Mike Anthony Ambroziak

Basketball 9-10, 12; Volleyball 10-12; Track 10-12; Snowball 9; Varsity Club 11-12; Academic Letters; High Honors; Perfect Attendance.

Andrew Leslie Anderson

Golf 9; Tom Cats 12; Academic Team 9-12; Spell Bowl Team 11; Concert Band 9-12; Swing Choir 10-12; Madrigal 9-12; 9-12; National Honor Society 11-12; Snowball 9-12; Pep Band 9-12; Pit Orchestra 9; Thespians 9-12, president 12; Varsity Club 11-12; National Honor Society Vice President; Member of Who's Who; Academic Letters 9-12; Regional Band ninth place; Northwest Indiana Youth Symphony 9-11; Indiana Teen Institute 10.

Monique Marie Barba

Volleyball 10; Track 9-12, manager 10; Track Most Improved 10; Manager Girls' Basketball 9; Pom Cats 9-12, Pom Most Improved 10, Best Attitude 11, Staff 11-12, Captain 12; Homecoming Court 12; Student Council 11; Snowball 9; Art Club 9-12; Environmental Club 11-12; Varsity Club 11-12.

Jessica Lee Bates

Softball 9-12, Softball Most Outstanding Defensive Player 9

Alisha Marie Bailey

Volleyball 9; Basketball 9; Softball 9-12, Most Improved 11; PomCats 9-12, staff; Student Council 11; Snowball 9; Art Club 11-12; Environmental Club 9; Varsity Club 11-12.

Dan Beamer

Art Club 9-12.

Brandon William Besson

Art Club 11-12.

Laura Marie Bolger

Cross Country 11; Volleyball 9; Basketball 9; Softball 9-11, Mental Attitude 9-10; National Honor Society 11-12; Varsity Club 11-12.

Michelle Lynn Brezek

Cheerleader 10-12, NCA All-American Cheerleader 11, Most Improved Cheerleader 10, JV Cheerleader Captain 11; National Honor Society 12; Student Council 10-12, president 12; Snowball 9-12; Young Woman of the Year Pageant 12; Academic Honors; NCA All-American Nominee 11-12; Academic Letter 9-12; Indiana Teen Institute Participant 11; Staff 12.

Paul Douglas Brown, Jr.

Basketball 9; Baseball 9-10; Art Club 12.

Christie Marie Brown

Track 12; Cheerleader 9-10, Cheerleading Most Improved 9; Swing Choir 12; Student Council 11-12; Snowball 10-12; Environmental Club 11; Thespians 11-12; Young Woman of the Year Pageant 12.

Ryan Robert Brumbaugh

Wrestling 11; Basketball 9; Baseball 9-12, Outstanding Offensive Player 11, All-PCC 12; Cat's Eye Staff 11.

Yvonne Renee Brumbaugh

Pom Cats 9-12 Poms' Most Dedicated 11, Most Enthusiastic 11, Best Attitude 10, Staff 12, All-American Nominee 12; Student Council 11; Art Club 11-12; Young Woman of the Year Pageant 12.

Cara Jane Campbell

Cross Country 9-12, All-PCC 9-11, Hustle Award 12, Co-MVP 11; Basketball 9-12, Most Improved 10, Best Free Throw Percentage 11, All-PCC 11-12; Track 9-12, Rookie of the Year 9, Co-MVP 11; Homecoming Court 9, 12, Queen 12; Hoosier Girls State 11; National Honor Society 11-12; Student Council 9-11; Snowball 9; Class Officer 9; Varsity Club 11-12; Track All-PCC 9-11.

Jason Allen Carns

Volleyball 11-12; Basketball 9-12, Leading Rebounder 11-12; Homecoming Court 12; Homecoming King 12.

Matt Brian Copak

Golf 11.

Jason Allen Derybowski

Cross Country 9-12, Hustle Award 11; Basketball 9-11; Golf 9-12, Most Improved 10, MVP 11; Homecoming Court 10, 12; Concert Band 9; Cat's Eye Staff 10; Hoosier Boys State; Pep Band 9; Class Officer 11-12; Varsity Club; Perfect Attendance 9; High Honors 11.

Kevin L. Dill

Art Club 9-12.

Kristy Rose Follmar

Cross Country 11-12, All-PCC 10-12, Hustle Award 11, Most Improved 12; Volleyball 9-10, manager 10; Basketball 9-12; Track 9-12, 300 Hurdle School Record, All-PCC 9-12; Concert Band 9-10; Student Council 9, 12; Art Club 9; Varsity Club.

Richard Wayne Freeman

Volleyball 9-10; Wrestling 10; Basketball 9; Baseball 10, 12; Golf 9; Homecoming Court 9; Swing Choir Cat's Eye Staff 12; National Honor Society 9-10; Student Council 10; Snowball 9-12; Art Club 9-12; French Club 9; Class Officer 9.

Bernadine Jean Goff

National Honor Society 9; Art Club 9-11; Environmental Club 10-11.

Jason G. Gore

Cross Country 10-11, Team Sectional Champions 10; Wrestling 9-12; Track 9-12, All-PCC Athlete 12, Mental Attitude 9-10, PCC Champions 10-12; Art Club 11-12; Varsity Club 10-12; Academic Letter Perfect Attendance; Honor Roll 10; Who's Who

Josh T. Govert

Cat's Eye Staff 9; Art Club 9-12.

Amanda Ann Haig

Tennis 9-12; Concert Band 9-12; Swing Choir 11; All State Choir; Madrigal Singers 11; Snowball 9; Youth Advocate of the Year; Pep Band 9-12; Environmental Club 9-12, Environmental Club Secretary 1996-97, President 1997-98; Thespians 11; Young Woman of the Year Pageant 12, Perform Arts Award 12; Varsity Club 11-12.

Jessica Lee Hamlett

Volleyball 9-12, First All-Academic Team 12; Academic Team 12; Hoosier Girls State 11; Nat Honor Society 11-12; Snowball 9-10, 12; Enviro Club 9-10, 12; Class Officer 10; Top Student: Bit 9, Geometry 10, Algebra 2 11.

Paul Robert Hillebold

Volleyball 12; Golf 9, 11-12; Tom Cats 12; Homecoming Court 11; Madrigal Singers 9-10; High Sch Yearbook Staff 10; Cat's Eye Staff 10; Thespians Class Officer 10.

Jill Marie Hoffman

Cheerleader 9-12, MVP 9-11, Captain 11-12; Homecoming Court 11-12; Hoosier Girls State Alternate; National Honor Society 11-12; Student Council 9-12; Snowball 9-12; Art Club 9-12; Fr Club 9-11, French Medal; Class Officer 10-12; Young Woman of the Year Pageant 12; Student Council Secretary 10-12; Class Officer President 10-12; Who's Who Among American High School Stud High Honors Plaque; Academic Letter; Silver and Gold Medals at Regional Science Fair.

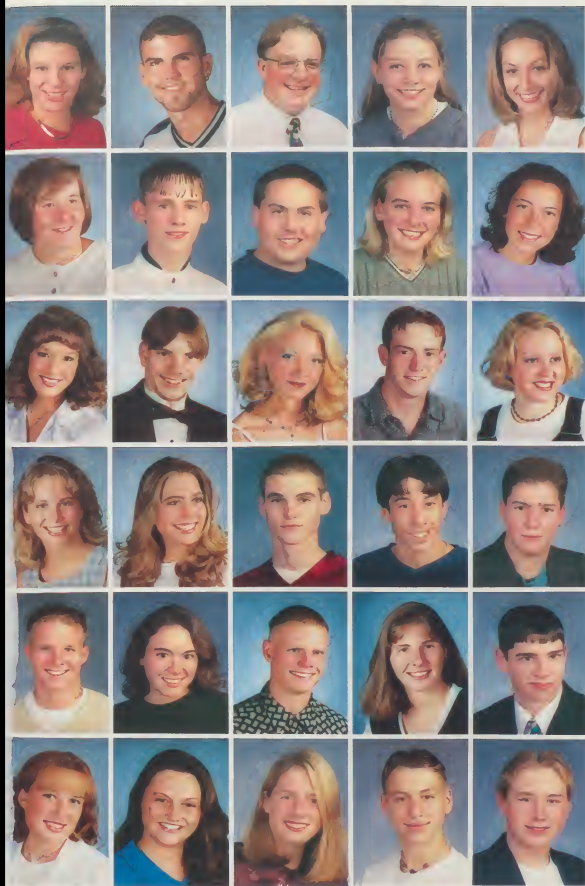
Beth Anne Johnson

Academic Team 9-12, Spell Bowl Team 9-11, Ma Singers 9-12, Snowball 9-12, Thespians 9-11, Environmental Club 9-12, Girl Scouts 9-12, Go! Award Recipient 12.

Matt J. Kulig

Golf 10, Key Yearbook Staff 11; Cat's Eye Staff 11; Snowball 9; Environmental Club 9-10.

Senior Stats continued on Page



Karlean Almaguer
Michael Ambroziak
Andrew Anderson
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Monique Barba

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Paul Brown
Christie Brownd
Ryan Brumbaugh
Yvonne Brumbaugh

Cara Campbell
Jennifer Carey
Jason Carns
Bryan Conley
Matthew Copak

Jeffrey Dembowski
Angela DeRisi
Jason Derybowski
Teresa Devine
Kevin Dill

Amy Dixon
Tina Drelling
Samantha Enyeart
Bryan Fahler
Jeffrey Fiedler

WHICH WAY

BY TRISHA ROBERTS

What am I going to do after high school?" went through most seniors' heads. Some ended their education and ventured out into the real world for a job, the Army, or college.

Alicia Trock planned to attend a school in Hobart. "I wish to become a massage therapist and the school is close to home" she stated.

Students planned to pay for college with financial aid, scholarships, and student loans. Kevin Van Gorp hoped to get a decent scholarship so he could attend the institute of Chicago and someday work for someone big like Disney to draw animations. Jason Gore was not yet sure what college he will attend but he would like to do something involving television or work with children.

Jim Swift wasn't planning to attend college. "I have been working for a construction company during the summers for a long time, and I plan on working for them this summer also. I want to be a heavy machinery operator some day" he said.

Kevin Susko also planned to operate heavy machinery, but was first going into the Marines. Like many other seniors, he didn't forget the best times at Hanover. The seniors were quite close.

Kristy Follmar concluded, "I've made so many tight bonds with so many different people that I'm leaving behind, leaving here is going to be very hard. My best memories were made here."



■ Artistic merit

With two award-winning pieces from the regional Northern Indiana Arts Association competition, Kevin Van Gorp adds to his portfolio. The talented senior won a \$10,000 scholarship from the Cleveland Institute of Art and had offers from several other schools, as well.



DID WE GO?



AN EYE FOR AN EYE



Kristy Follmar
Richard Freeman
Nicolette Gasior
Leslie Gentry
Bernadine Goff
Jason Gore

Joshua Govert
Jeff Grabarczyk
Amanda Haig
April Hamilton
Jessica Hamlett
Paul Hillebold

Robert Hillemonds
Jill Hoffman
Sean Hoover
Jamie Hudak
David Jackson
Beth Johnson

Rachel Kitchens
Andrew Kooling
Christopher LeBell
Larry LeBell
Robin Longfellow
Robert Lord

Bridgett Luce
Jodie Maddox
Jessica Mager
Kevin Massengill
Thomas McLaughlin
Rachel Mendoza

Joseph Molnar
Heath Montgomery
Craig Murrian
Timothy O'Connor
Holly Panozzo

Kyle Pearson
Douglas Peters
Karlee Rawlins
Larry Ray
Timothy Reno



Brad Rinearson
Anthony Rodriguez
Angel Schuitema
Jennifer Schweitzer
Kacy Seaton



Timothy Sheehy
Elizabeth Sikma
Shannon Smith
Timothy Stanford
Sara Strozalecki



Timothy Surprise
Michael Swiderski
James Swift
Violet Taylor
Todd Teets



Trina Titak
Kelly Urbanczyk
Kevin Van Gorp
Melissa Wagar
Briana Wasylcio



Christopher Webb
Carolyn Westerhoff
Jeremy White
Michael Wythe
Brian York



Larry Dean LeBell, Jr.

Prom Crown Point High School: Football 9; Baseball 9; As: Hanover: Basketball 10; Baseball 10-12; Defensive Award 11; Key Yearbook Staff 12.

Robin William Longfellow

Volleyball 9-12; Setting Award 12; Captain 11-12; Wrestling 10-12; Fastest Pin 12; Track 10-12; National Honor Society 11-12; Snowball 10; Environmental Club 10; Varsity Club 11-12.

Robert James Lord

Thespians 10-11.

Bridgett Anne Luce

Spell Bowl Team 11; Concert Band 9-12; Snowball 9-12; French Club 9-11; Pep Band 9-12; Pit Orchestra 9; Environmental Club 11-12; Thespians 9-11; Member of Who's Who; Vice President of Environmental Club; 1st Chair in Band; Student Director of Thespians.

Jodie Richard Maddox

Basketball 9; Key Yearbook Staff 10.

Jessica Joy Mager

Cross Country 10-12; All-PCC Athlete 10-12; Most Improved 11; Basketball 9; Track 9-11; All-PCC Athlete 11; Varsity Club 11-12.

Kevin Perry Massengill

Volleyball 10-12; Baseball 9-12; Academic Team 9-10; Concert Band 9-11; Snowball 9-12; French Club 9-10; Pep Band 9-12; Pit Orchestra 9-12; Environmental Club 9-12; Thespians 9-11; Varsity Club 11-12; Cedar Lake Summerfest Teen of the Year 1997; Indiana Teen Institute Steering Committee 9-12; Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana 11-12.

Heath Allan Montgomery

Cross Country 9-10; Baseball 9-10; Golf 11-12; Swimming 9-12; 200-free Sectional champ 10-12, 15th in state 9, 9th in state 10, 4th in state 12; 500-free Sectional champ, 9th in state 10, third in state 500 free 9, 2nd in state 500 free 12; Homecoming court 12; Key Yearbook Staff 12; National Honor Society 12.

Craig Andrew Murrian

Golf 10-12; Most Improved Player 11.

Cari Anne Parker

Volleyball 9-12; All-PCC 12; Track 11-12, Manager 9-10; Swing Choir 9-12; Varsity Club 11-12.

Douglas Lee Peters

Volleyball 10-12; Sportsmanship Award 12; Basketball 9-10; Baseball 10-12.

Timothy J. O'Connor

Volleyball 9-12; Basketball 9-12; Track 9-11; Tom Cats 12; Homecoming Court 12; Varsity Club 9-12.

Karlee Jean Rawlins

Volleyball 9-12; Mental Attitude Award 12; Track 9-

HINDSIGHT

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12; Pom Cats 10-12; Swing Choir 9-12; Madrigal Singers 9-12; National Honor Society 11-12; Snowball 9; Art Club 11-12; Secretary 12; Environmental Club 9-10, 12; Thespians 9-11; Varsity Club 11-12; Who's Who 9-12; American Legion Citizenship and Government Award 11; Jr. Miss 1st Runner-Up 12; High Honors All Year 9-10; Honor Roll 11.

Brad Edward Aloysius Rinearson

Golf 9-12.

Anthony Santos Rodriguez

Track 11; Cat's Eye Staff 10.

Jesus Valente Sanchez

Volleyball 11; Prom Court 12; Cat's Eye Staff 11-12; Student Council 9-10; Snowball 9-10; Environmental Club 9-10.

Kacy Marie Seaton

Volleyball 9-10; Student Council 12; Concert Choir 9-11; Track Manager 10-12; Pom's Flag 9-10.

Angel Marie Schuitema

Track 11-12; Tennis 9; Pom Cats 9-12, 2nd All-American 11-12, 2nd Top Gun Funk 11-12, Most Improved 9, Best Toe Touch 11, Best Smile 11.

Jennifer Marie Schweitzer

Madrigal Singers 12; Concert Choir 9, 11-12; Tennis Manager 9; 2 1st place Awards for Group 2 Choir and a 1st place in group 1.

Timothy Joseph Sheehy

Volleyball 9-12; Wrestling 9-12; Golf 9-12; Swing Choir 11-12; Madrigal Singers 12; Environmental Club 11-12; Varsity Club 11-12.

Timothy Lee Starford

Cross Country 9-12; Academic All-State 12; All-Sectional 11-12, MVP 12; Wrestling 9-12, 1st Team Academic All-State 12, Sectional Runner-Up 9-11, Sectional Champ 12, MVP 11; Semistate Qualifier 11; Track 9-12; Academic team 11-12; Spell Bowl Team 11; Concert Band 9-10; Cat's Eye Staff 11; Snowball 10-12; French Club 9-12; Environmental Club 10-11; Varsity Club 11-12.

Tim A. Surprise

Track 9-12; Most Improved 9; Best Dressed 10; Concert Band 9-10; Cat's Eye Staff 11; Pep Band 9-10.

Kevin P. Susko

Basketball 9-10; Cat's Eye Staff 12; Art Club 9-12.

Todd D. Teeks, Jr.

Cross Country 11; Basketball 9; Manager 10; Track 10, 12; Concert Band 9-12; Art Club 12.

Kevin Walter Van Gorp

Golf 10-12; Cat's Eye Staff 11; National Honor Society 9; Student Council 9-11; Art Club 9-12; Most Outstanding High School Art Student 9-12; Environmental Club 9-10; Keyboarding 1 Most Accurate Typist.

Melissa Danielle Wagar

Concert Band 9-12; Pep Band 10-12.

Briana Beth Wasylw

Volleyball 9-11; Tennis 9-12; Captain 12; Pom Cats 9-12, Rookie of the Year 9, Best Technique 11, All-American 11-12; Drill Down Winner 11-12; National Honor Society 11-12; Student Council 11; Snowball 9; Art Club 9-12; Environmental Club 9; Young Woman of the Year Pageant 12.

Christopher Joseph Webb

Homecoming King 11; Snowball 9; Environmental Club 9-10.

Brian Lee Westerhoff

Cross Country 10-12; Wrestling 9-10, 12; Track 12; Baseball 9-10; Cat's Eye Staff 9; Snowball 12.

Carolyn Nichole Westerhoff

Cherleader 9-11; Snowball 9; Track Manager 9.

Becky Jean Wunderink

Lowell High School 9-12; Lowell newspaper 10-12; Lowell French Club 10-11; Lowell Environmental Club 12; Lowell JROTC Dedalion Medal; Academic Honors; C/Major Commander; Hanover Track 12.

Brian Richard York

Cross Country 9-12; Basketball 9-12, Best Free Throw Percentage 11, Best Defensive Player 11; Track 9-12; Homecoming Court 9, 12; Swing Choir 9-12; Hoosier Boys State (alternate) 11; National Honor Society 11-12; Student Council 9-10, French Club 9; Varsity Club 11-12.

Editor's Note: Students not listed did not return their stats forms or did not list any stats or honors on their forms.

NO SLEEP FOR

BY AMANDA AMUNDSON

T o sleepover

at one's house was like asking for the loud noises, T.P'ing in the middle of the night, or gossiping about guys or girls. Though some thought goofing around or making prank calls were the way to go, but on the other hand some would rather spend time playing video games, surfing the web, playing "truth or dare," watching movies, or listening to the great sounds of music echoing through the whole house. Partying with your friends to relaxing on the couch and watching movies was typical for Hanover students to do.

"It was New Year's Eve and my friends and I went to Walmart. We were just goofing around and having fun," Kevin Grabarzyk noted. "The funny thing is that we got kicked out and were told to never go there again." According to some students Walmart was a popular place to go if you had nothing to do when you were spending the night at someone's house.

Students always found ways to make the sleepovers exciting. "My friends and I got up in middle of the night and T.P'd Scott Forestryk's house out of revenge with toilet paper, ketchup, oil, eggs, and anything else I could find," Cherri Derousseau said. "Later on that night the cops came to my house and my friend busted us out. We had to go clean it up while the cops and Scott stood there and laughed at us." It showed that having fun can lead into trouble, and most people thrived for trouble.

Some students didn't like the idea of having sleepovers on the weekends. "I really don't go to them," Kelly Garrett noted. "I just usually hang out and talk to my friends." And she probably got more sleep.



■ Cooking it up

Tammie Vassar stirs sausage for a homemade breakfast. She is making biscuits and gravy for the co-ed sleepover at Kyle Dill's house. Afterwards they went ice skating at the Monastery where they also played hockey.

THE REST OF US



Ryan Adams 9
Kerkyra Alcantar 9
Cheryl Allen 11
Sandi Allen 10
Ada Anderson 11
Julie Anderson 11

Jackie Andrews 10
Amanda Amundson 10
Brett Arwood 9
Rebecca Arwood 10
Lori Arzetalos 11
Jennifer Baacke 11

Richard Baacke 10
Stephen Badar 9
Veronica Baggerly 11
Angela Baker 11
Jessica Baldino 10
Jessica Banis 10

Jessica Barrett 11
Derek Barisic 9
Nathan Bartels 11
Jerry Bartholomew 10
Julie Benedict 10
Bryant Besson 9

Ervin Bibakis 10
Emily Bielak 11
Christy Bilinski 11
Eric Bird 9
Brian Bisset 9
William Bisset 11

Tammi Boorima 10
Jennifer Bohling 9
Lynne Bohling 11
Kadrina Bolger 11
Brianna Bonner 9
Michelle Borger 9

David Bowie 11
Jonathan Bowie 9
Ike Boyer 11
Kelly Bradtke 10
Anthony Branner 9
Craig Brightwell 11

Dustin Brill 9
 Jesse Brill 10
 Scott Britton 10
 Margie Brewer 10
 Nathan Brewer 10
 Rhea Brown 11



Kira Brown 11
 Kristy Brown 9
 Melanie Brumbaugh 10
 Brian Bugajski 9
 Brad Buikema 11
 Jennifer Bunge 10



Anthony Burke 11
 Sarah Busch 10
 Ida Camarillo 11
 Julie Campbell 10
 Josh Canarini 11
 Mike Carns 9



Nicole Carroll 11
 Bo Casey 10
 Rachelle Cavender 9
 Angie Clark 9
 Justin Clemens 10
 Michelle Coleman 9



Jennifer Connor 10
 Dennis Corak 9
 Catherine Cornett 9
 Michael Cornett 11
 Bill Coppage 10
 Symantha Crane 11



James Crist 11
 Aaron Czikos 9
 David Czuk 11
 Joshua Davis 9
 Nicole Davis 11
 Dan Deatherage 9



Jeremy Deenik 9
 Jonathan Deenik 11
 Megan Dell 9
 Melissa Demopoulos 11
 Duane Denistuk 11
 Cherri Derousman 10



FIRST DATES

BY AMANDA AMUNDSON

ust imagine, it's Friday and you are going out on a date with someone for the first time. You found the perfect outfit after hours of shopping, your parents handed over the keys to the car that they would never let you drive, your curfew is hiked up another hour, and you've got an extra bill in your pocket. What could be better? You thought nothing could actually go wrong, but when the door bell rang...

I was set up on a blind date with a girl named Heidi," Chris Webb said. "The date was going great until we and (another couple) were at a restaurant and I thought I was rubbing her leg under the table, but it was the other guy's leg."

We all remember our first date regardless of how horrid or wonderful it was. Alissa Wasyliw recalled her very first date nearly two years ago with Augie Poppe, her boyfriend. "We went miniature golfing and hung out at a baseball field. He was so sweet to me," she said. "We've been together ever since."

Everyone feared what their date would think of them whether it was bad breath from dinner, if they were having fun, or if they were talking enough.

"I went on a date with some guy in the summer of '83. I definitely remember this one because it was one of the worst experiences of my dating life," art teacher Cheryl Muehlman said. "I always wanted this guy and when he finally asked me to go out to the Sadie Hawkins dance, I dropped my books in the hallway. The worst thing was that he didn't say one word to me the whole night—I guess he was too scared."

Of course, the worst dating problem was resolving the "should I kiss him or her?" question. Or, "should I run and hide?"

"In seventh grade, Jason Gore and I went to a birthday party," Kristy Follmar said. "We danced and had our first kiss. That date was cool. I was chippery."



Working some magic

Juniors Dana Freeman and Jim Wallace begin a relationship at Burger King on their first date. They started seeing each other in January. Since then, Jim and Dana have been on many more dates together.

A BIG FEAR

A M O M E N T

BY AMANDA AMUNDSON

Finally, the school day is done. Home and exhausted from hours of practice, you take a shower, do your homework, and throw yourself on the recliner. You sit there thinking about what you could possibly do. You're so excited to finally have free-time to do anything you want. So, what's it going to be?

"I like to party on the weekends with my friends Brianna Wasyliv, Manda Amundson, Dana Freeman, Craig Murrian, Stooks, Sean Schutz, Ike Boyer, W'ins, and my brother Jim. We usually go midnight bowling every weekend or just hang out at my house," Jenni Wallace commented. "We have so much fun. It's just a group thing."

Going to parties, bowling, movies, spending time with girlfriends or boyfriends, sports, shopping, talking on the phone, going to WalMart, and Harry O's for the famous biscuits and gravy were among the favorite freetime teen activities.

"I like to play sports, talk on the phone, and go shopping on my freetime," Catie Cornett said. "I love hanging out with my friends whenever I have time."

Kevin Massengill said he enjoyed spending the extra time that he had left sleeping. "I just sit down and relax. I never have time to do anything. I am so busy with school work, so when I do have freetime, I mainly just relax on the couch," he noted.

"On the weekends I always spend my time playing hockey since I play for a Orland Park team on Saturdays," Sean Schutz said. "I also just hang out with the boys and party."



■ Sliding with speed

Junior Kyle Dill quickly dashes to the bottom of the hill on an early winter day. Sledding with friends at the Monastery, Kyle managed to stay on his sled while everyone else didn't quite make it down the hill.

T O S P A R E



Danielle Devine 9
Justin Diaz 9
Kyle Dill 11
Richard Dobin 9
Eric Dombrowski 9
Valerie Domazet 11

Amy Donnelly 11
Todd Donnelly 9
Brandon Douglas 9
Bryan Eastling 11
David Eastling 10
Terry Eastling 10

Matthew Eborie 11
Jason Fair 10
Erik Farrell 9
Julie Ferry 10
Crystal Fisher 11
Jeanine Ford 11

Isaac Fonseca 9
Neddie Fonseca 9
Scott Forystek 10
Joe Freeman 9
Dana Freeman 11
Megan Francis 10

Holly Gasior 10
Kelly Garrett 10
Chad Gawlinski 11
David Greer 11
Stephanie Geraci 9
Erica Gerald 10

Tim Gerold 11
Emily Gentry 10
Amy Gley 9
Todd Goldie 10
Jillian Gorny 9
Gretchen Govert 9

Heidi Govert 10
Kevin Grabarczyk 9
Jessica Granger 10
Lisa Gray 9
Nathan Greer 10
Kacey Greer 9

R E M E M B E R

BY KATIE SMIT

Did you have a story to tell that was beyond belief, but amazingly true? Students at Hanover did some funny, memorable things and we all wanted to hear 'em, right?

"About three or four months ago, two of my friends (Mike Wythe and Kevin VanGorp) tried spending the night at the mall," senior Tim Surprise said. "We hid in the storage rooms next to the bathrooms in L.S. Ayres. As soon as store hours were over and after the managers left, we ran around the store and tried on gorgeous sweaters. We slept on huge piles of silk scarves. Awakened by janitors, we were instantly thrown out of L.S. Ayres and our parents were called around 2 a.m."

Kevin VanGorp had a story to tell of his own, although it was a little embarrassing.

"Doug Haduch had some friends and I in his college room. His roommate, Russ, woke up while we were there and checked the answering machine. It said, 'Russ, I'm calling in regards to Samantha. Well, she doesn't have any interest in you, sorry.' Russ freaked out because it was in front of us and now I think old Samantha won't pull a stunt like that ever again."

"My true story is when I beat up Mike Devine," sophomore Diana Swift said. "He was acting like a moron and he started throwing food at me so I got up and tried smacking him in the head, but he grabbed my arm. I got annoyed and smacked him in the head. Mrs. Eskilson came by to break it up and I gave him one final push and his chair flipped over and I gave him a quick kick in the kneecap. I was sent down to the office. All I remember hearing when I left the cafeteria was 'Go Swift!' I felt good about myself."



■ True story

In training, Jeremiah Johnson was beaten-up by a freshman, so phys ed teacher Ron Szanyi made him do 50 push ups to make him stronger. Jeremiah said, "I will never be beat up by a freshman again."

T H E T I M E



Jeanette Grigic 9
 Marcus Guerrero 9
 Christy Haduck 10
 Jamie Harrell 11
 Eric Hagg 9
 Kirby Heindel 9

Angelica Hendzel 10
 Jamie Hjertquist 9
 Jason Hjertquist 11
 Nicole Hoover 9
 Ryan Hoover 10
 Ann Horton 10

Chris Huesman 9
 Aaron Itczak 11
 Sarah Jager 9
 Ria Jager 9
 Rich Jamroz 9
 Steven Jamroz 10

Jillian Jaricki 9
 Kimberly Jens 10
 Scott Johnson 10
 Erik Johnson 10
 Amber Johnson 9
 Angela Johnson 11

Jeremiah Johnson 11
 Leslie Kaper 9
 Jeff Kienzle 10
 Scott Klein 10
 Danielle Klimaszura 9
 Nathan Knowles 9

Cory Krutzen 9
 Christy Koby 11
 Bob Koloda 10
 Steve Koonce 11
 Ben Kortokrax 9
 Dominick Kortokrax 11

Kelly Kortokrax 11
 Quinn Kovacs 9
 Adam Kowalczyk 10
 Nicholas Kowalczyk 10
 Thomas Kowalik 9
 Tony Kretz 10

FORMULA FOR

BY KATIE SMIT

Success period became a welcome addition to the students' routine. The optional class time from 7:30 to 8:00 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays allowed many students to improve their grades.

"Success (period) is good because it gives people who want to better themselves a chance to do so," freshman Becky VanLear said.

"I think it's a good opportunity for teachers to help students. You can get any questions you may have had trouble with," sophomore Claudia Reyes added.

Success period gave students a chance to make up missed work, retake tests, get help from their teachers, or study before tests. Many students liked the new program.

The main disadvantage to success period was the need to get to school earlier. Those who relied on bus service were at the mercy of the bus schedule or had to find an alternative method to get to school.

"Transportation is sometimes a problem. You have to get up early, too," sophomore Linda Snyder said.

Despite the single complaint, success period definitely proved to be a huge help for the students.

"Success period enhances the students opportunity to succeed in learning," art teacher Cheryl Muehlman said. "It also provides advantages to students who need to make up work. It gives students one on one instruction."



■ Teaching a lesson

Mrs. Millie Postma prepares Scott Johnson for an Algebra test. Scott had to get extra help because he didn't understand some of the lessons, so he decided to go to Success Period. The extra effort paid off as Scott earned a B on the test.

SUCCESS



Eric Krueger 11
Keith Krueger 9
Amanda Lackey 10
Mike Langhans 10
Eric Lambert 9
Crystal Latulip 10

Rachel Laud 9
Joshua Lawson 10
Julyan Littlejohn 9
Joe Lion 11
Christine Long 9
Ryan Longfellow 10

Jason Lord 10
Amanda Luce 9
Jeanette Luce 10
Nick Mager 10
Jennifer Malik 9
Erin Maloney 9

Christopher Mantal 9
Nick Marchand 11
Martin Marraale 10
Jerred Martin 9
Jacob Maslin 11
Shane Maul 10

Mandy May 10
Fred McCleary 9
Laura McClymont 10
Amber McDonald 9
Shannon McLaughlin 9
Nick Medrano 9

Dan Meehan 11
Adam Meyer 11
Andrew Miller 9
Christina Miller 9
Michelle Miller 9
Bob Mirich 10

Michael Mitchell 11
Nick Moniak 10
Sabrina Murillo 9
Alan Myzowski 10
Dean Nelson 9
Phillip Nelson 10

IT'S THE THOUGHT

BY KATIE SMIT

Have you ever received a gift you weren't too fond of? Fruitcake, socks, a dog bank, or a not-so cool sweatshirt from your grandma? Those were just some of the gifts students received from their families and friends.

"I once got Calvin Klein's CK Be from my aunt Linda for a Christmas gift. I later found out that I was allergic to it. I gagged and broke out in a rash," Linda Snyder recalled.

What did you do when you received a gift that you absolutely hated? Did you smile and say "Thank you?" sophomore Diana Swift received a Dalmatian bank from a garage sale for Christmas. "It was so dorky, but I kept it for a week and then I threw it away."

Then there were times when you unwrapped the gift you really wanted or maybe didn't expect.

"I got my car for my sixteenth birthday," junior Jim Wallace said. "I wasn't really expecting to get a car, but I was so happy when my mom handed me the keys."

Whether the gifts were big or small, it was the personalized gifts that counted the most. They made for gifts that were truly unique.

"Every Christmas I would write a poem and send them out in Christmas cards, science teacher Robert Krol said. "I did this for 15 years and one year my wife had them all published in a book. That was the best gift I've ever gotten."

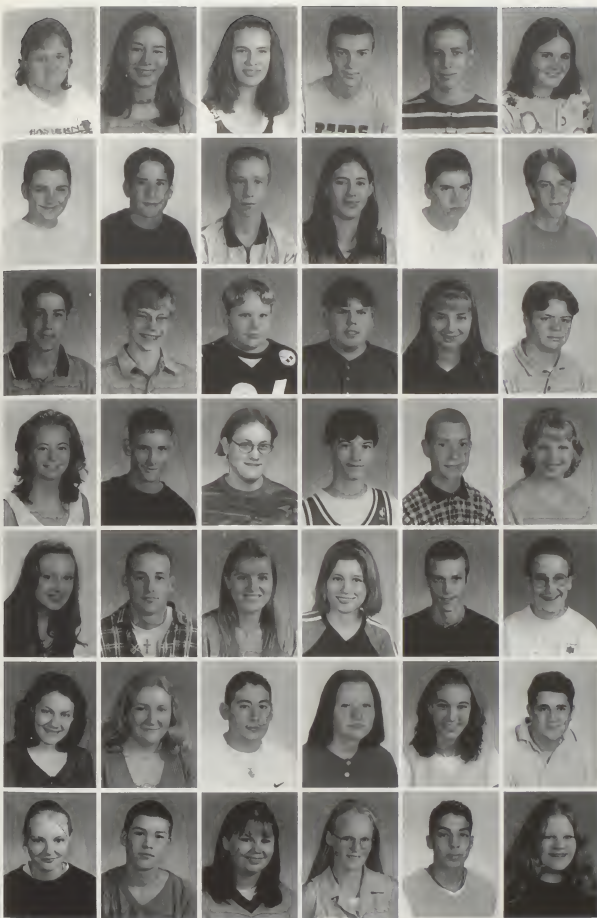
Some people haven't received their most memorable gift yet, but their time is coming. And it will be a treasure to remember.



■ A gift from mom

Holding his new Kicker Competition speakers, sophomore Steve Rizo smiles as he holds up his gift. Steve received the new speakers as a Christmas present from his mom.

THAT COUNTS



Paul Charko 10
Jennifer Olenick 10
Kristine Downs 10
Joe Oparka 10
Kenny Orsi 10
Amanda Osborne 11

John Osting 9
Ryan Otterman 9
Anthony Paglia 9
Nicki Pandozo 10
Michael Pawlak 10
Andrew Pearson 10

Chris Pearson 9
Cecil Pundleton 10
Lawrence Port 9
Dennis Pete 9
Christina Peters 11
Jeffrey Peterson 11

Pam Peterson 11
Michael Petros 11
Andrew Pittman 11
Derrick Popper 9
Michael Potter 9
Jessica Pralle 10

Corri Pribe 9
Jason Radlunz 11
Emily Rawlins 10
Stephanie Ray 10
Dan Reese 11
Christopher Reh 9

Claudia Reyes 10
Jana Rinecaron 9
Steve Rizo 10
Michelle Roak 10
Trisha Roberts 11
Antonio Rodriguez 11

Stephanie Roedel 9
Elliott Rosenberry 10
Nikki Ross 9
Samantha Samuels 11
Omar Sanchez 11
Becky Scherer 9

Jessica Schillaci 9
 Timothy Schotke 9
 Brynn Schreiber 10
 John Schuitema 10
 Kelly Schuitema 11
 Sean Schutz 11
 Colleen Seaton 10



Tiffany Selander 10
 Ann Sergeant 9
 Nick Seymour 11
 April Shalvis 9
 Michael Shaw 10
 Brienna Sheehy 9
 Tiffany Sheehy 10



Lindsay Shelby 9
 Dan Shipman 10
 Dustin Goordema 11
 Jeffery Skorupa 9
 Katie Smit 10
 Hillary Smith 9
 Michael Smith 11



Scott Snell 9
 Lynda Snyder 10
 Rocco Sodamore 9
 Bo Speichert 11
 Cassie Speichert 9
 Traci Spender 11
 Rebecca Spindler 11



Eric Spry 11
 Michael Stamate 9
 Kris Stanberry 9
 Phillip Staples 9
 Shane Steven 11
 Brad Sooksbury 11
 Christopher Stout 10



Daniel Sullivan 9
 Bill Surprise 10
 Kristen Swiderski 10
 Diana Swift 10
 John Swift 10
 Linda Szanyi 10
 Jamee Tausch 9



Bill Taylor 9
 Jelene Taylor 10
 John Teets 9
 Richard Thomas 9
 Justin Titak 11
 Melissa Triemstra 9
 Katie Turner 9



ROLLIN' IN

BY KATIE SMIT

Having

a little extra money was nice. Most students found jobs as juniors or seniors. The most popular places to work were Wilco, Burger King, Schoops, or the Conference Grounds.

Some students said having a job took too much time, not allowing enough time to hang out with friends. But you couldn't live off your parents all of your life. A job was a head start for the future for living on our own.

"Working sucks, but I would rather work and have money than not work and have no money," Tim Surprise said. Most students agreed.

A job could be fun at times. Some said it's the people they work with, although some just simply said nothing about their job was fun.

"I work at Wilco in Cedar Lake. I like the people that work there. It's practically run by Hanover students. That's what makes it fun," sophomore Emily Rawlins said.

"I like my job because it's outside," said sophomore Joey Oparka. "I cut grass at the German Methodist Cemetery. It's easy because I get a riding lawn mower and I only work once a week. I get \$100 each month."

"I work at the Conference Grounds mostly washing dishes. It's boring, but hey, I get free food," Dave Eastling said.

Whether working at Wilco, the Conference Grounds, or mowing lawns, a job could be "rewarding" in more ways than one.



■ Sweet deal

Digging into the shipping boxes, Wilco Foods employee Dan Shipman reaches for the Domino sugar. When Dan wasn't packing, he could be found stocking shelves. Dan has been working at Wilco for three months and saving money for college.

DOUGH

PARTY LIKE

BY KATIE SMIT

When you heard the word "party" what came to mind? "I just think it's fun to get together with your friend and act however you want," sophomore Kristen Swiderski said.

"I was at a Halloween party and there these funky roll-up things. I got a mouthful of it and I asked who made it and they were like, 'I did, isn't it good?' I told them it was real good!' I told them it was real good and when no one was looking I spit it all over the food that was in front of me. People liked it better when I was through with it," sophomore Diana Swift said.

What did people do at parties to entertain? Blast the music and dance?

Or did you and your buds relax by popping in "Scream," even though you've seen it eight times, and clenching the bag of popcorn.

"I like to go streaking," said sophomore Josh Verbish. "Well, not all the time, just... ummm...once."

"My funniest party was when me and some of my friends ripped this person's clothes off him in the middle of winter and threw him outside," Duane Denisiuk recalled. "He ended up running down the block and getting arrested for indecent exposure."

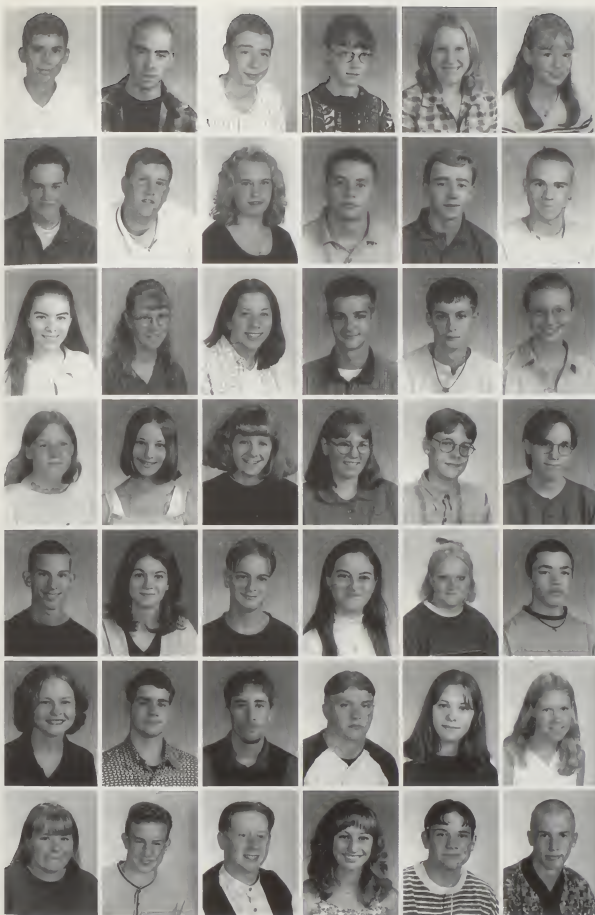


■ Just jump on

Megan Vassar, Kristy Follmar, and Dana Freeman jump on Tammie Vassar because she threw their shoes outside in the snow. When Dana's mom came home, Dana was in trouble for throwing the party. Her punishment was to clean up the house.



A WILD CAT



Matt Urbanczyk 9
Michael Urona 11
Brian Vansdall 11
Michael Vansdall 9
Danielle Vandenberg 9
Becky Vanlar 9
Megan Vassar 9

Tammie Vassar 10
Jantz Vega 9
Jake Vrehman 11
Amanda Vincent 10
Josh Verbiak 10
Adam Walker 9
James Wallace 11

Jenni Wallace 9
Danielle Walton 10
Andrea Ward 9
Alicia Wasylow 9
Andy Watkins 9
Wes Watkins 10
Jenny Watt 9

Jerry Way 10
Amanda Westerhoff 10
Amber Westerhoff 9
Becky White 10
Tiffani White 11
Matthew Wiarda 9
Robert Wiarda 11

Michael Wick 9
Steve Wick 11
Jodi Wilkes 11
Bobby Willhager 9
Sandy Willhager 10
Bryan Williamson 10
Jan-Michael Williamson 10

Jennifer Williamson 10
Melody Willy 9
Robert Wilson 10
Jeff Wittenhagen 10
Christopher Wornhoff 11
Kelly Wozniakowski 11
Staci Wyman 11

Adam Wythe 9
Lisa Wythe 11
Eric Yardley 10
Jeffrey Yardley 10
Michelle York 11
Joe Young 11
James Zerby 10





change of mind

• 'KNOWSING' AROUND •



Exploring was the cornerstone of education, so nosing around, or academically speaking, "knowsing around" was natural. Experience made the difference for those in the know.

First-year teacher, Mr. Brett Wright, explained, "The whole process of my own education has effected the way I conduct a class. Now that I am teaching, something seems to change everyday to change the ways I teach."

Mr. James Nicholas, a 32-year staff member, said, "I've just always been lovable. That's my style of teaching." Of course his motivation was, "I did not want to go back to the steel mill to work."

Students, of course, had their noses stuck in everything. But that wasn't bad. After all, there's no nosing like knowsing.

■ BY NICK KOWALCZYK



"Students are given the freedom to make more choices about their education."

—Mr. Brett Wright



"My style is unique, or as I say, dinosauric."

—Mr. James Nicholas,
who retired after 32
years of teaching

● *NOSING AROUND* his new computer, band director John Gorbball begins his exploration with ClarisWorks. Although word processing basics were essential, Mr. Gorbball said that he hopes to be able to use the computer for music composition some day.

STRAIGHT FROM BELGIUM
Rachel Kitchens measures out some ingredients for the waffles she is making in cooking class. The most important ingredients must be measured perfectly for the waffle to reach taste perfection.



WASH IT UP

After everyone enjoyed the delicious pancakes and waffles the cooking class made, Mike Shaw washes up his dishes so students in the next class can use them.

the scent of **Academics**

Education certainly has its benefits, but sometimes learning just takes on a foul odor



Top 5 Worst Smells in Biology

1. Dissecting a cat in lab
2. Pond scum
3. Nitrous oxide
4. Food in the sink drains
5. All of these smells combined

niff, sniff. "Who did that? I'd be claiming that if it was mine." That and many other smells lingered in the classroom. What did you smell? Did you smell the big silver pot (the autoclave) in Mr. Campbell's biology room? Or some fresh-baked cookies in cooking class? Was it the sweaty gym shoes, or the girl next to you? What kind of perfume was she wearing anyway? Or was that really perfume?

The 'scent of academics' lingered as we learned. Smells often led to distraction. When an odor was so bad that someone couldn't concentrate on their work, complaining was almost always expected. On the other nostril, if something smelled really good, a person was relaxed and could concentrate on what they were doing.

The smells not only changed daily, but sometimes from minute to minute. Whether it was someone in Foods letting their pizza scorch or the acrid smoke from welding in Metals, students understood it was all part of the learning process.

"Sometimes when I walk in Mr. Krol's room I smell oranges; other days, it just smells really bad," Ryan Niemeyer said. The smell of oranges made Ryan feel like he was in a passionfruit paradise.

"People in my gym class never wash their uniforms," Tom McLaughlin complained, "After a while, it gets to smelling bad."

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IT SMELLS LIKE A SKUNK

"What crawled in my shoes and died?" senior Larry LeBell asked. Larry was in Advanced Gym with Mr. Ron Szanyi and having him as a teacher required good gym shoes and a strong deodorant.

THAT FORMULA STINKS

Nearly blinded by the overhead projector, Chris Stout gets a closer look at Mr. Krol's notes. "The smell of those markers sometimes gets to me," Chris said, "but it's not so bad."



WHAT CAN I BLOW UP NOW?

Rich Dobin examines some chemicals in Mr. Scott Campbell's Biology class. Even though he wasn't wearing rubber gloves, he didn't burn the skin off of his fingers. Rich survived one more day to listen to Mr. Campbell lecture about mitosis.

MAKING SUCKERS

Seniors Josh Govert and Bryan Fabler make an attempt to create some suckers in Foods class. The tricky part was trying not to burn themselves as the red goo ran down the holding sticks.

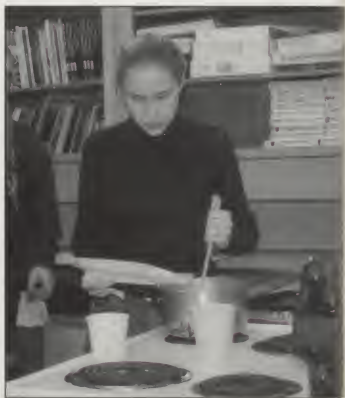


YUMMY, YUMMY

At the table in the cooking room, Todd Teets sits with classmates finishing freshly cooked pancakes with lots of sticky syrup and cold cups of water to wash them down.

STICKING TO THE TASK

As Jessica Mager reads what she has to do next on the directions, she mixes her ingredients, making sure she has everything needed to make the suckers.



the scent of *Academics*

No two days smelled exactly alike, which meant a new 'learning experience' was just a matter of time



Top 5 Worst Smells in Gym

1. Unwashed socks from at least four months ago
2. The wet shoes in the corner
3. Mr. Szanyi's office
4. Fungus growing in the shower
5. Body odor

loved the smell of popcorn before the basketball games," Dan Shipman said, "It always reminded me of junior high and got me kind of pumped up."

"Mr. Granger's room smells like cotton candy sometimes. It's not a bad smell, so I don't mind," Amber MacDonald said.

Smells sometimes mixed to create a horrible stench. Like when walking down the hall and the person ahead was wearing too much cologne, the cafeteria was cooking mystery meat, and a weird scent was flowing from the biology room. All of those smells migrated onto clothing so when you sat next to your crush, they made funny faces and scooted the chair over a few feet.

Odors even invaded the furniture. "When I put my head down on my desk I smell the bleach from when someone cleaned it," Jeff Yardley observed. He wasn't alone.

"Whenever I walk into a math class, I smell Windex from cleaning the overhead projectors," Brian Westerhoff added.

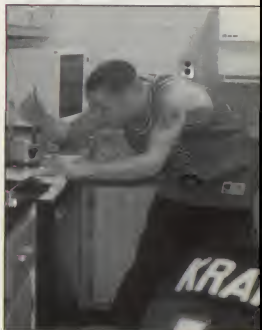
Teachers didn't fare much better and they were usually stuck in the same room all day. "I gets pretty ripe in this short hallway outside my room," Mr. Mike Frazier said. When the gym, small engine shop, home ec room, and cafeteria all have bad days at once, I stay in my room."

Every room had its aroma and every person had a smell, so the keen nose couldn't avoid the scent of academics.

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THE STINK OF HATE

While Eric Lumpert works on his pop art he shares his feelings on hate crimes at school. "I just don't like crime in the schools like people bringing guns and other weapons that don't belong in this area," he said. As for the art project, Eric received an A.



OOH, HOT STUFF

While stirring his ingredients, Sean Hoover checks the temperature of his mixture and makes sure it doesn't boil over or overheat. He studies it nice and hard, double-checking to make sure he's right.

STIRRING SOME JUICE

Sophomore Mike Shaw has all his ingredients for his orange juice together for Foods 1. The recipe wasn't too complicated, but then why should breakfast be difficult?



GIVING A HAND

High schoolers in Child Development dressed up and showed little tykes around the school, usually at the holidays. Senior Jenny Schweitzer helps a future Wildcat with a drink.

nosing Around

Exploration could be fun or frustrating, yet everyone liked the independence it offered

Smoke poured from the Chemistry room. It was startling, but it was just another one of Mr. Robert Krol's classes experimenting with ammonia and hydrochloric acid. Most students enjoyed the opportunity of a hands-on experience. "Doing Chemistry is a lot better than listening to lectures," Mr. Krol said.

Another hands-on class was Biology. "In Mr. Campbell's class we do a lot of dissecting. I especially enjoy looking at the brains," sophomore Jason Fair said.

Some students, though, weren't too fond of all that stuff. "I don't like cutting open dead things. It's really gross and it smells bad, too. We also look at plant cells under the microscopes," sophomore Tammie Vassar said.

"Labs were fun because you got to do things by yourself, like mix different chemicals," Craig Murrian said.

More hands-on classes were Yearbook, Newspaper, Multimedia, and Home Economics, which will be called Family and Consumer Sciences in the future.

"I like the fact that we get to do things with partners. The teacher isn't always looking over your shoulder," sophomore Kim Jens noted.

"Home Economics classes have always been known as 'hands-on'. Students work at their own pace and assert their individuality," Mrs. Jean Kirk said. "Students who take Child Development interact with young children . . . every two weeks. Many students actually decide on their career choice after participating in this class."



Top 5 Worst Smells in Home Ec.

1. Charred food
2. Baby diapers
3. Old milk
4. Rotten eggs
5. Utensils that haven't been washed recently

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HOLDING TIGHT

Using doughnuts and juice as a favorite behavioral enticement, senior Carrie Westerhoff works to keep the attention of her Halloween Trick or Treater.



TEACHING TO DRAW

Giving advice on how to make a great work of art to his Child Development buddy, Sean Hoover shows a creative side. The class helped students learn of the real-life responsibilities involved in raising children.

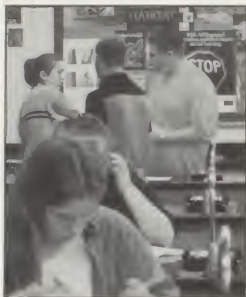
SAY "AHHHH..."

Getting the "inside story," freshman Jenni Wallace and sophomore Tammie Vassar dissect a perch in Mr. Campbell's biology lab. Not a favorite of the squeamish, the lab still offered a chance to learn about the major systems of aquatic life forms.



IN ANOTHER WORLD

Maybe daydreaming, freshman Roger Niemeyer watches his bigger brother, Ryan, type a paper for his computer applications class.



IT'S PLAY TIME

Bored of the classroom work, Alissa Wasyliv, Ryan Hoover, Kevin Grabarczyk decide to fool around. "I think Krol loves to give us homework," Kevin said, "so does everyone else."

TIME TO QUIT

Taking a break from studies, Laura McClymont, Bill Surprise, and Jillian Janicki discuss their social lives. "Mr. Krol is the best teacher I've ever had," Laura said. "His class is easy, and we don't do much," Bill added.



this Stinks

*Being bored is one thing, but having to take
a boring class is something else*



Top 5 boring classes

1. French
2. Keyboarding
3. Algebra II
4. Intro to Business
5. U.S. History

(Ranking by the Key yearbook staff, not by student body survey, so it's ok if you disagree!)

ITTING THROUGH CLASS WAS AGONIZING, especially when the teacher was nagging over something you had no idea about. What was it that students hated about their classes? Was it the long hour of lectures? Or all that homework?

"Boring teachers. The way they teach can be boring. They have to enjoy what they're doing if they want us to enjoy it," said sophomore Colleen Seaton. "I think other classes can be bad because the subject isn't for you and it can be boring. It's also bad when the teacher doesn't have control of the class and you spend most of the time listening to the teacher scream."

Not all teachers were boring according to sophomore Diana Swift. "Mr. Govert's class is cool. It isn't boring at all. He can talk about the stupidest thing; all he has to do is whip a ruler around and crack a few jokes and he catches everyone's attention."

"I don't feel the teachers try to help the students as much as they should," junior Duane Denisiuk said.

"At the end of almost every class I'm in there is about 15 or 20 minutes left where we don't do anything. I like the fact that we're not working, but I think it's a waste of time," sophomore Tammie Vassar noted.

Whether it was boring teachers or not being able to sleep, class was sometimes a drag. It didn't always stink though, as Diana pointed out.

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IN DEEP THOUGHT

While freshman Brian Bisset stares at his computer, classmate Derek Barsic concentrates on his studies for keyboarding class. While keyboarding may not have been the most entertaining class, it proved to be one of the most valuable. Quite a few classes required typing and computer skills, not to mention the need for those who would eventually go to college.



STRETCHING OUT

Sophomore Chris Stout stands and stretches after Mr. Krol is finished teaching. "This class is easy, I look forward to going everyday," he said.

PARTIAL OR FULL BASEMENT

Planning their basements, senior Bryan Conley and junior Mark Schilling put together a house for Mrs. Ruth Eskilson's Independent Living Class. Each of them received an A on their projects.



Top 5 Classes You Don't Need

1. Metals I
2. Choir
3. Film Literature
4. Sewing
5. Band

Editor's Note:
All classes listed
above are electives.
None are required
courses. This list was
compiled by the Key
Yearbook staff. And
yes, yearbook is not
an essential class.

SERVING A DOUBLE ROLE

Junior Ada Anderson reads her music carefully. The talented first chair clarinetist was also editor-in-chief of *Cat's Eye*, the school newspaper.

nothing to Sneeze at

Love 'em or hate 'em, some classes were essential for graduation, others for pleasure

aking classes you didn't really need seemed pretty pointless, huh? Even though everyone hated taking those "boring" classes, they were required. "Intro to Business is such a long class ... but at least it's easy," sophomore Kristen Swiderski said. "If I had the choice, I wouldn't take the class, but unfortunately, you need it to graduate." That class offered insight on possible career skills.

Not all of these classes were easy, though. "Keyboarding is pretty hard because I don't know all of my keys and you are timed on how fast you can type. I think it's a waste of time because people can type on the computer without passing this class. I don't think it should be required," sophomore Diana Swift said. Employers might argue with her, though. Sophomore Claudia Reyes added, "You need classes like Keyboarding and Intro to Business because every class teaches you something."

Even though most students didn't exactly like these classes didn't mean they didn't learn anything.

"I did learn where the keys were (in keyboarding), but I forgot all of them after I got out of the class," junior Duane Denisiuk said.

A classic argument surfaced, too. "You shouldn't have to take gym to graduate. Does it really matter how well you did in gym?" sophomore John Schuitema said.

Electives offered some personal choices. Whether the classes were hard or easy, gaining credits for graduation was the objective. And that was nothing to sneeze at.

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A FEW HELPING HANDS

Senior Jason Carns bends over a child during one of the Kid's Days in Child Development class. Even though Jason stands six feet five inches tall, the little girl showed no signs of hesitation as he helped her with a Halloween crafts project.



TIMES TABLES?

Checking out the Prep section of the newspaper and searching for his times in the track box score, junior Josh Canarini doesn't pay attention in Mrs. Marcia Grossi's geometry class. "It's a very easy class to take and it's also fun," Josh noted. And he did find his times.

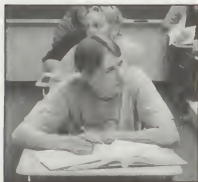


GEARING UP

Sophomores Phil Nelson and Paul O'Barski fix bicycle wheels in their industrial arts class. As Paul puts the rim in a vise, he reaches for some WD-40 to clean up the gears. Phil continues to clean the bicycle frame.

THE ECONOMICS OF SLEEP

Trying to stay awake, senior Jeff Fiedler listens to his teacher, Ann Thompson, lecture the class about the different types of economies. Specifically, she discussed two types: capitalist and socialist economies.



Top 5 Hardest Classes

1. Government
2. Calculus
3. Economics
4. Foreign Language
5. College Prep English

(Ranking determined by the Key yearbook staff. Not all of the courses listed are honors classes. Ok, so maybe you had a tough time in Mr. Whitacre's U.S. History class. Get over it.)

TRYING TO BELIEVE

Introducing their senior project, Samantha Enyeart and Bernadine Goff explain the supernatural to Mr. Gary Young's College Prep English class. The projects are an annual tradition for college-bound students.

It's 'Snoot Easy

Higher GPAs and challenging work motivate students to take advanced classes

hought and hard work. Those were the things you needed to pass difficult honors classes. These classes were meant for students who performed well in normal classes and who wanted to seek a higher level of learning.

"Honors classes are more challenging, but most kids that are in them can meet the standards to still get good grades," sophomore Christy Haduch said.

Some of the honors classes included English 104, Advanced Reading-Writing Workshop, Spanish Long Distance Learning. Other classes included Calculus, Spanish III and Spanish IV, Honors Geometry, Advanced Biology, Chemistry, and Physics.

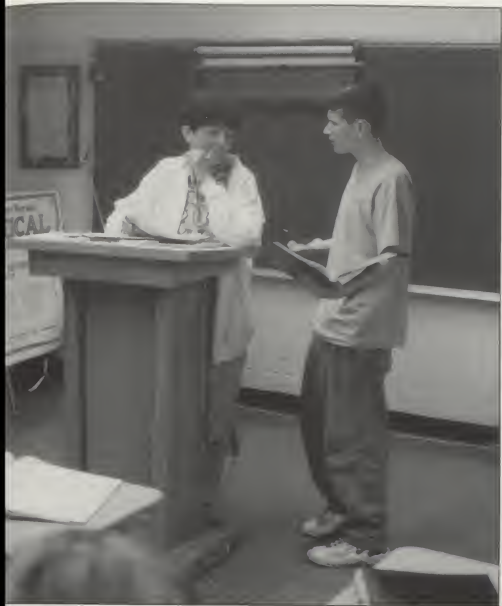
"Advanced classes are a way for bored students to reach their potential," sophomore Colleen Seaton said. "These classes, including Advanced Reading-Writing Workshop, demand thinking and hard work. These classes are for above average students and those who want to do well. You have to want to do well to survive these classes. Not all advanced classes are really tough, but they do require hard work. Advanced classes are worth the work."

"Chemistry is a difficult class. You really have to work hard and listen," sophomore Kim Jens said. "There are only about twelve people in my class. That makes it a lot easier to pay attention."

There were big advantages for taking honors classes. Students received extra credits toward graduation and it also counted for a higher GPA.

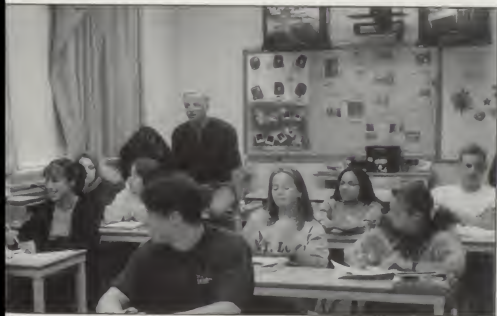
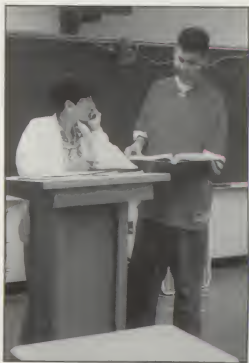
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A 'REASON'-ABLE ARGUMENT

Starting an argument, senior Paul Hillebold looks to Miss Ann Thompson for an answer to one of his study questions. The question asked was, "What is the understanding of economics?"



SETTING THE TONE

Senior Mike Ambroziak points out that Miss Thompson made an incorrect statement about an argument they had in class. Mike was correct about the statement, in the challenging, but required class.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Communicating with students from Whiting High School, Mr. Jack Granger's distance learning class speaks Spanish while trying to learn about each other. "I like to learn about other people and being able to talk to them in Spanish," senior Holly Panozzo said.



THE BIG HIT

Model Kimberli La Branche shows students some of her pictures she's modeled for. Kimberli has modeled for department stores, and hoped to make it big.



Education could test you and test you and test you, but a new Career Day offered encouragement



Signs of Success

1. 85 percent of Hanover's sophomores met the ISTEP+ proficiency standards.
2. Hanover scores were among the best in the area.
3. Over 50 students participated in job shadowing.
4. Over 20 area companies sought HC students at Hanover's first Job Fair.

our times to retake a test seemed like a lot, but that was how many tries students were allowed to pass the difficult ISTEP+ exam. A new state law required all sophomores to pass the ISTEP+ in order to graduate.

The test was mandated by state legislators in response to concerns of parents, employers, and the higher education community who wanted to ensure that Indiana students would enter the work force with the skills they need for success. Students who failed the test in their sophomore year were given four more chances to pass.

Assuming they passed, some sophomores had already set goals. "I plan to go to college in Arizona and study accounting," sophomore Jason Fair said. "I also plan to get my MBA (Masters in Business Administration)."

Also to help students prepare for the workforce, the guidance office and Mrs. Carol Webb organized a Career Day, featuring many professionals.

"Career Day was a great opportunity for learning about the fields that you are interested in. The physical therapist was interesting, but right now I really don't know what I want to do," sophomore Christy Haduch said.

For those not sure sure, Mrs. Webb was there to help. She set-up a Job Fair and job-shadowing program, including child care and baby-sitting, volunteers in guest relations, exercise physiology, and life guarding.

"It offers the opportunity to be exposed to careers students may not otherwise be exposed to," she said.

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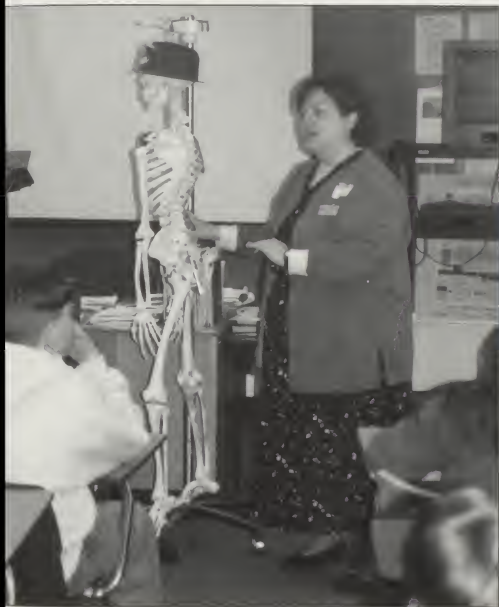
NOT A NICE PLACE

Lake County Sheriff Deputy Warden Caren Jones tells students about her experiences in jail. Caren is a guard at the state prison and works at the Crown Point Government building as a security guard.



WORKING HARD

Senior Jim Swift talks to his manager about his job. Jim spends half his day in school and the other half at work. Jim works at Hoffman's Autobody in Highland, where he's a mechanic.



STAYING IN CHARGE

Mr. Scott King, mayor of Gary, visited the classrooms in order to tell students about his town. King has been mayor for six years in the northern Lake County community.

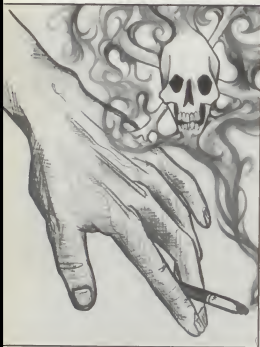
ANATOMICALLY CORRECT

Mrs. Barbara Mageral, a medical assistant, shows a class the human skeletal system and explains what students need to know about her job. She also teaches classes about the different type of bones in the body.



A TOUCH OF BLUR

Using a smudge tool to distort the image of a lady's face is an anonymous artist, who did not want to take credit for this computer animated art. Students used the Painter 4.0 program to create the art.



A FLOW OF SMOKE

Senior Kevin Van Gorp and teacher Mr. Louis Greer work together to make a piece of work animated by computers. This particular piece of art was proof that teachers and students could work in unity.

artistic Tech-knows

*Scribbling and clicking away,
Students try to sniff out an "A"*

Computer Art was an independent studies class that required excellent art skills, great interest, and a little technical know-how.

"It's different from all the other art classes," sophomore Angelica Hendzel said. "You get to learn more about computers and technology. You can scan stuff or paint whatever you feel like. Computer Arts classes are really fun because you get to play around with different things on the computer."

"It's a very interesting field to go into," freshman Eric Lambert said. "I really like Computer Arts. It takes a lot of patience and memory."

Senior Kevin Dill added, "When I first started independent Computer Art, I had never done it before, so I didn't really know what to do. I learned how to draw, paint, and scan after a couple of weeks, which made it a lot more interesting. Sometimes 'King Louie' gives me special assignments to do, but most of the time I can draw whatever I want."

Mr. Greer, known by students as "King Louie," taught the class. "I like it if students take as many classes as they can, such as Multimedia, to prepare themselves for this class," he said. "Students come in and do independent research. They make electronic art images. I make some of the assignments and the students create what they want to do. We mainly go into Painter and PhotoShop. There is a big job field in Computer Art. It's a growing field."

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Top 5 Worst Things to put into an Art Computer

1. Clay
2. Wheat Paste
3. Paint
4. Paint Thinner
5. Junior High Students

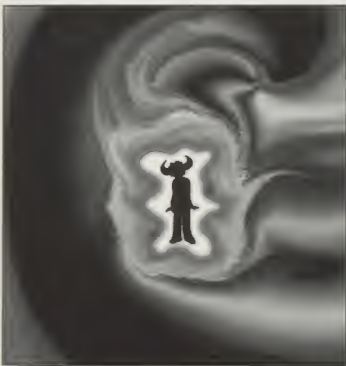


"FIRED UP" FOR ART

Rightfully named "Urban Inferno," this picture was generated on a computer. Art Class has been moved from tall stools and wood tables to a cushy seat and a computer program.

NEW IDEAS

The vast world of computer art greeted new comer and senior Kevin Dill. "I didn't even know what computer art was before I had it as an independent course. It's okay but I run out of ideas quickly," he said of the new course.



PSYCHEDELIC ARTISTRY

by Kevin Van Gorp is presented thanks to the Art Department. Mr. Greer and Mrs. Cheryl Muehlman shared these works of art using computer graphics programs.

another way to know: *Roadies*

Whether the highway was asphalt or electronic, students explored beyond the school walls

TAKING A BREATHER and mingling among the crowd junior Mike Urena and senior Karlee Rawlins enjoy a shopping detour on an Art Club field trip.



Top 5 Worst Smells on a field trip

1. Gum on seats
2. Diesel bus exhaust
3. Chemical toilets
4. The lone smoker in a tour group
5. Hot dog vending carts

visiting Washington, D.C., Indianapolis, and Chicago without actually traveling there wasn't impossible. Long Distance Learning classes offered students another route to new destinations. These "roadies" could see and talk interactively with those on the other side of the cameras. According to Lisa Koester, distance learning coordinator, Hanover shared Spanish and Calculus classes with Whiting High School and English classes with Indiana University-Northwest.

Traditional field trips were still popular, too. Mr. Louis Greer and the Art Club took a field trip to Chicago's Navy Pier. They sold raffle tickets to make the event possible. "I had never been to Navy Pier before and I had a great time. We had a scavenger hunt; Mr. Greer gave us a list with the titles of sculptures and we had to find the artist. It was really fun and it made us learn, too," sophomore Emily Rawlins said.

Mr. John Gorbail took the band to a competition in St. Louis. "We went to Six Flags where we had a dinner and an awards ceremony. We got first place in our category. It was really exciting winning a medal and a trophy," explained sophomore Mandy May.

"It's fun to be able to experience French culture," sophomore Colleen Seaton explained. "Mrs. Halvorson took us to *Cafe Venezia* to experience the food and the French style of serving dinner. We also celebrated Mardi Gras by making party masks and snacking on French cookies and coffee. It's not just a language, it's a lifestyle."

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SEE YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE
Smiling for the camera and having a little fun along the way, learning helped form new friendships. The school established two new distance learning labs; one for distance learning classes (shown here), the other for field trips such as the one journalism students took to the Newseum near Washington, D.C.



A LITTLE BIT HUNGRY for those famous Jelly Belly® is junior Dominic Kortokrax on an art club field trip. Among all of the field trips taken by the Art club, the most famous was the ski trip, though no pictures of that trip were available.



WHAT DID THAT SAY??? Mr. Jack Granger shows mixed reactions as he listens to a tape of "The Severe Beating of a High School Spanish Teacher," while taking Hanover Spanish students to Whiting High School. As part of a distance learning class shared by the two schools, students from both buildings took field trips so they could meet in person and visit the schools. Mr. Granger taught the Spanish course from Hanover, while Mrs. Klochan was Whiting High School's distance learning facilitator.

ADMIRING THE BEAUTY of an M&M® candy merchandise display in Chicago, sophomore Nicki Panozzo learns how commercial art can have a strong emotional appeal.



TASTING OTHERS' WORK

Seniors Heath Montgomery and Cari Parker partake of some tea as part of Mr. Gary Young's College Prep English class. The projects allowed many seniors to gain more insight about themselves.



COME AND GET IT!

Serving up some grub for "Western Day" is the very fashionable Mr. Greg Whitacre. He used this annual event as a "diversionary tactic" to break the monotony of U.S. History.

WHAT REALLY HAPPENED . . .

Trying to figure out what the words on the paper mean, James Crist and Jeff Peterson seek to find the truth to America's "real" history. In his U.S. History classes, Mr. Greg Whitacre sought to dispell historical myths and stereotypes still promoted by the media and even in some textbooks.



rediscovering Show & tell

*From Mardi Gras to hoe-downs,
teachers find ways to break-up the routine*

School wasn't all about learning, as some may have thought. It was fun with a little party once in a while. For Mardi Gras, French teacher Virginia Halvorson celebrated by letting the students make colorful masks and partake of French cuisine.

"It (Mardi Gras) is a bit of fun French culture that happens in the United States, as well as parts of France and some of its colonies. I do it because it draws attention to an ancient custom," Mrs. Halvorson explained.

Mr. Greg Whitacre, history teacher, shared some memorable moments with his classes. "People sometimes say, 'What a good or clever way for them to learn,' but actually they would learn more with a good lecture. We sometimes go to the open area, the hall, or outside to demonstrate various things, such as battles, trade routes, and maps. I do it for fun—a diversionary tactic. We once had Western Day. The kids really enjoyed it. Sometimes I do this kind of thing to enhance the learning and sometimes it is simply for fun."

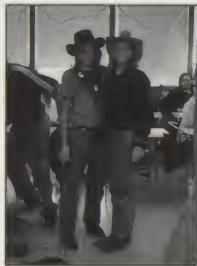
Cinco de Mayo, which translates as "The fifth of May" was celebrated by Mr. Jack Granger and the Spanish II students. "Cinco de Mayo celebrates a famous victory against the French and I feel that the students should experience this, too," Mr. Granger said. Of course, the French classes didn't exactly join in on the celebration. Go figure.

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RECEIVING A "HAND OUT"

Interpreting Mr. Gary Young's palm, "Gypsy" Samantha Enyeart conjures up the teacher's future. Her senior project had to involve the five senses and deal with a single topic. The College Prep English projects were the culmination of the course and a favorite way for seniors to wrap-up their high school careers.



FOCUS ON FUN

Although photography was still in its infancy during the period celebrated with "Western Day," juniors Trisha Roberts and Michelle York step out of character to mug for the camera.



Top 5 Worst Places to Celebrate Anything

1. Wherever there isn't women (or men)
2. Boone Grove High School
3. Jay Hersh's house
4. "Bonestock"
5. Wilco's Parking lot

TOGETHER AGAIN

No, she's not dancing with an other girl. Sophomore Claudia Reyes and junior Jeff Peterson dance to a slow song at the Halloween dance where Jeff chose to come dressed as a woman. Okay, no jokes here about "show and tell."



Top 5 Worst Smells in Band

1. Old reeds
2. Slide oil
3. Band lockers
4. Sweaty uniforms
5. Gum in the tuba

AIN'T IT CUTE?

"I was joking, but I didn't think Jackie would actually kiss him," Lynda Szanyi said of Jackie Andrews' smooch of a bronze statue. The girls were part of an Art Club field trip.

there's more to Show & tell

Road trips mix ups and downs as band wins top honors and physics students take a calculated risk

Mr. John Gorbball was excited about taking the high school band on a charter bus to St. Louis to perform and compete. "I have two reasons why I do this. One, because I want the kids who are in band right now want to stick with it and stay in band. Our trip to St. Louis was an opportunity to perform nationally, instead of just locally. The real reason I do this is because of the seniors. They're a gift and I think that they should have a special reward," Mr. Gorbball said. Indeed, the band placed first in the contest.

College Prep English projects were assigned by Mr. Gary Young. "Around graduation time I try to see what the seniors have gained. I give them universal topics like love or hate, something that every culture and every age have experienced."

Mr. Robert Krol took his Physics class to Great America to mix academics with fun. Students calculated the time and velocity of the roller coasters. "I take my class there to put knowledge and information learned in the class to everyday situations," Mr. Krol said.

Math teacher Marcia Gross contributed her time and effort toward high school dances. "I enjoyed the dances, even the preparation. I was disappointed, however, in the attendance, but I think everyone who went had a good time," she said.

Whether it was a quick trip to the open area or going as far as St. Louis, it was always fun and memorable to see the show and tell everyone about it.

• by katie smit



UP OR DOWN

This dizzying sight is actually a beautiful spiral staircase at the new Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago. Climbing the staircase was every bit as challenging for some Art Club students as riding a roller coaster for physics students visiting Great America. And in case you couldn't tell, the view is from the bottom, looking straight up.



DANCIN' MACHINE

In a period of transition, dancing predator Brian York seeks his next female victim. York, his compadres, and everyone else had many a good times dancing through the midnight hours. After all, school was for fun as well as serious business.

LADY OF THE DANCE

Looking like a queen, senior Christie Brown dances around her friends Michelle Brezek, Jill Hoffman, and Emily Gentry. Many costumed students danced Halloween away in fashion.



the sweet smell of Success

Motivation took many forms,
but it was always nice to get a little extra credit

CONGRATULATIONS WERE IN ORDER as Karlee Rawlins picks up her American Legion Government Award. The honor carried a \$50 bond as part of the prize.



RECEIVING HIS AWARD from teacher Robert Krol, junior Jason Raduenz claims the prestigious Bausch and Lomb Award for excellence in science, an award usually reserved for seniors. On this special night the school honored dozens of students to mark their outstanding success in all fields of study.



Top 10 Seniors

1. Samantha Enyeart
2. Jessica Hamlet
3. Karlee Rawlins
4. Tim Stanford
5. Bernadine Goff
6. Laura Bolger
7. Briana Wasyliw
8. Brian York
9. Jill Hoffman
10. Rob Longfellow

othing marked success like special recognition. It took up to 180 school days (and sometimes a few extracurricular hours) to achieve, but scores of students worked their way to top honors.

Key Yearbook

Nick Kowalczyk
Outstanding Staffer

Scott Klein
Outstanding Staffer, Excellence in Writing

Karie Smit
Outstanding Staffer, Excellence in Writing

Matt Eberle
Outstanding Photographer, Mental Attitude Award

Heath Montgomery
Outstanding Staffer, Excellence in Writing

Jeff Yardley
Outstanding Voluntary Contribution

Trisha Roberts
Most Improved Writer

Yearbook Staff Awards

Walsworth Publishing Company's "Gallery of Excellence"

Walsworth Publishing Company's "President's Collection"

National Scholastic Press Association "All-American Yearbook"

National Scholastic Press Association "Pacemaker" finalist

Newspaper

Ada Anderson
Most Valuable Staffer

Lynne Bohling
Excellence in Writing

Girls' State

Pam Peterson
Ada Anderson

Boys' State

Aaron Itczak
John Deenik

Academic Honors

Andy Anderson
\$1000/year, Ball State U.

Michelle Brezek
Junior Miss's Mia Johnson Memorial Award

Teresa Devine
\$2000 Directors Award

• compiled by karie smit

Heath Montgomery, Jessica Hamlet <i>American Legion Award, Citizen's Award</i>	Karlee Rawlins \$300 Runner-Up Jr. Miss scholarship, \$50 Bond <i>American Legion Govern- ment Award</i>	Justin Titak <i>Best of Show, Painting Award</i>	Andrew Koeling <i>Most Creative Essay, Most Creative Research Paper</i>	Jason Derybowski <i>\$500-Dollars For Scholars</i>
Jessica Hamlet \$250 Joseph G. Schutz <i>Lions Good Citizen Award, \$500 Hoosier Scholar, \$600 Cedar Lake Business & Professional Women, \$1000 Lake County Farm Bureau, \$500 Mason Metals- Outstanding Science Student</i>	Kacy Seaton \$400 St. John Junior Womens' Club	Bert Wagner <i>Drawing Award</i>	Tim Stanford Kelly Urbanczyk, <i>Best-Prose in College Freshman English</i>	Samantha Enyeart <i>\$1000-Dollars for Scholars</i>
Tim Stanford, Jessica Hamlet <i>U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award</i>	Nicolette Gasior <i>Softball Scholarship Manchester College</i>	Monique Barba <i>Mixed Media Award</i>	Rebecca Spindler Nicole Davis <i>Best Prose Research Paper</i>	Andrew Koeling <i>\$500-Dollars for Scholars</i>
Heath Montgomery, Cara Campbell <i>USMC Award for Distinguished Athletes</i>	Leslie Gentry <i>Service Award \$2500</i>	Heath Montgomery <i>Sculpture Award</i>	Science	Kevin Massengill <i>\$500-Dollars for Scholars, Kiwanis Service Award</i>
Samantha Enyeart <i>Leturges Leadership Award, USMC Scholastic Excellence Award, \$500 Hoosier Scholar, \$800 Jr. Miss Scholarship, Purdue Calumet Chancellor's Award—two years of full tuition: \$6,000</i>	Holly Ponozzo <i>\$200 Jr. Miss scholarship</i>	Jill Hoffman <i>Crafts Award</i>	Jason Raduenz <i>Bausch and Lomb Award</i>	Jessica Hamlet <i>\$750-Dollars for Scholars, Lions Award</i>
Kevin Massengill <i>USMC "Semper Fidelis" Music Award, Legacy Foundation \$500, Partnership for a Drug Free Lake County</i>	Amanda Haig <i>Jr. Miss Performing Arts</i>	Eric Johnson <i>Painting Award</i>	Advanced Algebra: All A's	Karlee Rawlins <i>\$750-Dollars for Scholars, Leonard Miller Award</i>
Jill Hoffman \$200 Jr. Miss Scholarship	Laura Bolger, Kacy Seaton \$400 St. John Junior Womens' Club Scholarship	Emily Rawlins <i>Computer Arts Award, Mixed Media Award</i>	Marjorie Brewer	Kelly Urbanczyk <i>\$500-Dollars for Scholars</i>
Tim Stanford <i>U.S. Navy Personnel Academic Achievement Award, accepted to U.S. Naval Academy (worth \$250,000), \$500 All Inland Scholarship</i>	Brian York <i>\$500 Ken Tortorici Memorial Scholarship</i>	Robert Wiarda <i>Print Making Award</i>	Highest Average Medal in Algebra II	Briana Wasyliv <i>\$500-Dollars for Scholars</i>
	Cara Campbell <i>\$500 Mary-Jo Bishop Memorial Scholarship</i>	Mike Urena <i>Mixed Media Award</i>	Melanie Brumbaugh Nicole Carroll Emily Gentry Bernadine Goff Aaron Itczack Ryan Longfellow Joe Molnar	Brian York <i>\$500-Dollars for Scholars, C.L. Vending Award</i>
	Paul Brown <i>\$500 West Side Auto Scholarship</i>	Ann Horton <i>Mixed Media Award</i>	Precalculus	Attendance
	Band Theresa Devine <i>Band Boosters' Senior of the Year</i>	Kevin Van Gorp <i>Painting Award</i>	Jessica Hamlet <i>All A's and Highest Average Medal</i>	Rebecca Arwood Jessica Banis Evan Bibakis Katrina Bolger Anthony Braner Tammie Boersma Nicole Carroll Scott Klein Ryan Longfellow Paul Obarski Derrick Poper Corri Priebe Timothy Schotke Brienne Sheehy Michael Urena Rebecca Van Lear Matthew Wiarda Robert Wiarda Stephen Wick Jessica Barrett David Csuk
	Andy Anderson <i>John Phillip Sousa Award</i>	Foreign Language	Social Studies	
	Art Department	Amber Westerhoff, Kristopher Stanberry <i>All A's in French I</i>	Jason Raduenz <i>Cognitive Cognition</i>	
	Kevin Van Gorp <i>Outstanding Senior Art Student</i>	Jillian Janicki, Lindsey Shelby <i>All A's in French II</i>	Jessica Hamlet <i>Outstanding Senior in Social Studies</i>	
		Theresa Devine, Tim Stanford, Samantha Enyeart, <i>Outstanding Work Over 5 Years (includes Junior High classes)</i>	Dollars for Scholars	
		English	Mike Ambroziak <i>\$500-Dollars for Scholars</i>	
		Samantha Enyeart <i>Outstanding Senior, Communication Arts Award</i>	Andy Anderson <i>\$500-Dollars for Scholars</i>	
			Cara Campbell <i>\$500-Dollars for Scholars</i>	



A S E N S E O F H A N O V E R

togetherness

• A 'HEARD' MENTALITY •



"I enjoy acting so I decided, 'why not try out for a play,' and it was a blast working in the play."

-Jeff Yardley

"Let's join a club," little Johnny shouted, "Everyone else is doing it."

"Let's do what it takes to get in the club—like the clubs at Hanover!" little Becky exclaimed.

There was a variety from which they had to choose, ranging from National Honor Society to Student Council to Swing Choir to Thespians.

National Honor Society members had to maintain an A average to be inducted into their small herd. Snowball and Environmental clubs reached out to other students to educate them on the effects of drugs and cleaning up the Earth, respectively. Art Club's raffles and field trips helped expand artistic talents.

Everyone else was doing it, doing it. To join a club there was nothing to it. That was all part of "a heard mentality."

■ BY TRISHA ROBERTS



"I joined Swing Choir because I thought that it would be a lot of fun."

-Bill Buser

● *JUST BEFORE IT WAS TIME* for her daughter to take the stage, Mrs. Lori Dowling adds the finishing touches to sophomore Heidi Gover's hair. The Thespians put on the play, "Little Women" in the fall, and amassed sell-out crowds with "The Wizard of Oz" in the spring.



Time for something sweet

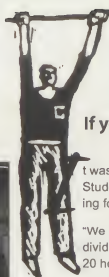
Senior Samantha Enyeart helps Mrs. Millie Postma chose one of the many kinds of bagels at the annual Teacher Appreciation Breakfast. The National Honor Society and the Junior Honor Society held the breakfast in the Library and gave each teacher an embroidered sweatshirt with their department name.



Words of wisdom

Ada Anderson, Christy Bilinski, Bill Bisset, Lynne Bohling, and Michelle Brezek listen to Mr. Fetty deliver his speech to inductees. There were 27 members of the National Honor Society after the induction ceremony.





a sound society

If you know academics, you've heard of them

It was a great honor to be inducted into the National Honor Society. Students had to work hard to receive the recognition they were looking for, needing a GPA of at least 3.5.

"We do community service projects every year and each person individually has to find a way to volunteer in the community and finish 20 hours before the end of the year."

Reaching the 20 hours of community service included projects such as tutoring, cleaning the courtyard, and helping at the library or a local hospital. "I worked a couple hours at the library and this summer I will be assisting Mr. Govert with the basketball camp," junior Michelle York said.

NHS raised money by selling candy during the first two weeks of February. They used this money for supplies, pins, certificates, emblems, the courtyard, and breakfast for the Thanksgiving Food Drive.

"The National Honor Society recognizes students who are high academic achievers and outstanding in service, leadership, and character," Mr. Jack Granger said.

The feeling of accomplishment and success was great and those in National Honor Society were familiar with the feeling. But then, you may have heard about this.

by katie smit

Fill it up

Being especially careful not to spill, Mr. William Whitestone pours some grapefruit juice to drink with his breakfast. He, along with Mrs. Virginia Halvorson, Mrs. Postma, and other faculty and staff members, ate their fill at the "Teacher Appreciation Day Breakfast" sponsored by NHS.

Patience is a virtue

Teresa Devine waits to receive her certificate from Mr. Petty as Mr. Granger locates it. It was said during the induction that this certificate is one that should be framed—not just filed away.



National Honor Society

Front: Bill Bisset, Ada Anderson, Christy Peters, Cara Campbell, Laura Bolger, Christy Bilinski, and Mr. Jack Granger, sponsor. **Row 2:** Teresa Devine, Jill Hoffman, Samantha Enyeart, Tiffany White, Pam Peterson, Michelle Brezak, and Nicole Carrol. **Row 3:** Jon Deenik, Andy Anderson, Andy Koeling, Brian York, Rob Long-fellow, Heath Montgomery, and Karlee Rawlins. **Back:** Angela Derisi, Holly Panozzo, Briana Wasylw, Michelle York, Aaron Itzack, Jessica Hamlett, and Lynne Bohling.



heeding the call

Saving lives, making dances cool ... all in a day's work for Student Council

Did you wonder who scheduled all the dances, planned them, and even decorated? Once a week Student Council ate lunch in Marcia Gross's room and organized dances, Spirit Week, Homecoming, the senior breakfast, senior kisses, and the annual blood drive.

While Spirit Week and Homecoming were far more entertaining, the blood drive was a way for upperclassmen to show a little heart. Working with Heartland Blood Services, the council helped extend this lifeline farther into the community. In spite of a slight chance of a donor passing out, a little light-headedness was worth it.

On the fun side, Spirit Games dominated the activities, but they were not the only fun thing they planned. Homecoming and Turnabout had people talking for weeks.

"Turnabout was a blast; there weren't many people there, but that just made it even better because there were no fights and everyone got along," Dan Shipman said.

"Student Council can be a lot of hard work if you want to be involved in all the committees," Pam Peterson noted. "We have small volunteer committees to organize different events such as the blood drive, Turnabout, Homecoming, and the senior breakfast. I like to be active in Student Council because I like having an active role in my school."

by trisha roberts



Gettin' pumped

Getting prepped for a little transaction, Todd Teets gets his blood pressure checked. The nurses saw dozens of students, faculty, and community members who gave the gift of life during the one-day drive.

Doing his part

Josh Strominski alters his blood flow by raising his hand above his heart. Though some blood still leaked out, it wasn't enough for Josh to pass out.



Student Council

Front: Lynda Snyder, Kevin Massengill, Holly Panozzo, Jill Hoffman, Michelle Brezek, and Kelly Kortokrax. Row 2: Rebecca Spindler, Tiffani White, Amy Gley, Emily Gentry, and Pam Peterson. Row 3: Aaron Itczak, Kristy Follmar, Jon Deenik, Melissa Demopoulos, Michelle York, and Theresa Devine. Back Row: Christy Bilinski, Jessica Prafle, Jessica Granger, Kacy Seaton, and Christina Peters. Not pictured: Marcia Gross, sponsor



Shooting the breeze

Staying conscious, junior Tina Bolger and senior Monique Barba keep each other amused during the "spiking process" by chatting for a short while. It beat watching your life fluids flow into a plastic bag, though donating took only a few minutes to do and only a minor jab to the arm.

After the fact

Is senior Rich Freeman happy, or just a little drowsy? Either way, he did his part by contributing a pint to the cause. One incentive-free cookies and juice after donating.



earmarked

Pre-Spec shows lead up to all-important season finale

While "Spectacular" was the Swing Choir's major production, it wasn't the only show they practiced for. They had a total of five major performances, not including those for fund-raising. The 24 members performed their way to another fulfilling 'regular season' of song and dance. Their regular season included everything before Spec, with that show, their "playoffs".

"I am happy with what we have accomplished this year. We have a lot of inexperienced people and they are doing the best to their ability," James Crist commented. James, along with Ryan Niemeyer and Josh Verbish, contributed to the enjoyment of the Christmas Concert by singing a hilarious trio about Santa not being able to deliver presents to the kids because of a reindeer with a broken left hoof, entitled, "Santa's Black Boot." James was a third-year member, while Ryan and Josh endured their rookie season.

Becky Van Lear, another 'rookie', said, "I was a little nervous being a freshman, but I love to sing and I wanted a challenge."

It wasn't all easy to be a member. "Paying attention while learning choreography were definitely the choir's weakest spots, but when we learned the dances we could do them well," Cari Parker said.

Of course, no matter what the performance, everything led up to the final event: Spectacular. The hours of effort really showed as they entered their "playoffs".

by trisha roberts



Solo opportunity

Senior Andy Anderson shows off his voice during a solo during the group number, *Seasons of Love*. "When I get on stage and look out to the crowd," Andy explained, "I get such an adrenalin rush."

Please, Mr. Jailer

The boys' section begs for freedom from the jailer. The song also served as a contest piece before being performed at Spec. The contest theme was originally "Gangsters." They eventually were caught by the police, so the theme then turned to "Jailbirds."



Swing Choir

Front: Pam Peterson, Michelle York, Becky Van Lear, James Crist, Cari Parker, Karlee Rawlins, and Brienne Sheehy. Second Row: Ryan Niemeyer, Tim Sheehy, Christy Brown, Jeff Yardley, and Brian York. Third Row: Kira Brown, Sabrina Murillo, Aaron Itczak, Kelly Urbanczyk, Valerie Domazet, and Amanda Haig. Back: Richard Knutsen, Scott Klein, Tom McLaughlin, Andy Anderson, Bill Bisset, and Kevin Massengill. Not pictured: Director Linda Beard.



Such devoted sisters

Christy Brownd and "sister" Kira Brownd sing and dance to *Sisters*, a song from the hit movie, *White Christmas*. "I love to sing. And (advice) for next year's members: sing loud and smile," Kira added.

Smooth operators

Senior Amanda Haig and sophomore Josh Verbish groove to the song *Mack the Knife*. "I love the contests we participate in," Amanda said, "We work the entire year for them."



name that tune

Song titles reflect fond memories of a truly Spectacular night

It took *More Than Words* to describe how 'Spectacular' the Swing Choir performed in its three spring shows, May 15-17.

The choir *Walked On Sunshine* as in the song they sang and danced to entertain their happy spectators. The seniors *Wished They Were a Kid Again*, but their *Hearts Will Go On* and it took them *All Their Life* to learn how to say *Goodbye*. They would always remember Hanover as a *Special Place*.

Tom McLaughlin wasn't able to be in the entire show because of an arm injury, but nothing stopped him from missing his solo, *The Dance*.

"It was weird watching. This was my fourth year of being a member of the swing choir. I never got to watch Spec live," McLaughlin said.

Cari Parker commented, "I was happy with my senior year of Spec. I couldn't think of a better way of ending my last year."

"I was happy with the choir's performances, but if someone asked me three days before the show I would have said no, but they pulled together and did a great job," director Linda Beard said.

Telling everything about the Sound Express would have taken *525,600 Minutes*. Yet, even though the choir had a slow start, they showed that *It's Not Where You Start, It's Where You Finish*.

by trisha roberts



Who's the hair stylist?

The "three musketeers," Josh Verbish, Ryan Niemeyer, and James Crist begin the novelty number at Spec, a medley of songs with a jungle theme. *The Lion Sleeps Tonight*, *Witch Doctor*, and *George of the Jungle* were the three songs in the medley. "I love to make people laugh," Josh explained. His big wig certainly did that.

York of the jungle

Showing off his legs by wearing a grass skirt, Brian York portrays the Witch Doctor during the novelty number to open the second act. Brian was a four-year member of the choir.



All by herself

Junior Pam Peterson sings solo during the fall concert. "I joined Swing Choir because I like to sing, dance, and work with people," she said. The three-year member will continue as a part of the choir next year.



Me Tarzan, you Jane

Jane, Tarzan's lovely girlfriend, is played by junior Michelle York. "Our novelty songs let the members of Swing Choir just let loose," Michelle explained. There was no set choreography, as the singers were turned loose to improvise as they went.



Dancing the night away

Brian York and Karlee Rawlins work together to entertain the audience. Both seniors helped the choir with their leadership and experience. Karlee took the responsibility of head choreographer for the group.

What's Aaron wearin'?

One half of the duo, Aaron Itzack sings *All My Life* with Bill Bisset. To add excitement to the special number the guys wore smooth sunglasses, white gloves and scarves, and turned their choir vests inside out.



'pop' culture,

...snap judgements, and finding a stitch in time

"It broke!" senior Andy Anderson shrieked as he showed the seam of his pants to costume mistress freshman Amanda Luce five minutes before the curtain rose on *Little Women*.

In a real predicament minutes before the show, Anderson needed a costume for his part as Professor Behr. Luckily, he wouldn't go on stage until the third act. This gave plenty of time for Luce to rush home, fix his costume, and be back in time for him to be onstage.

Most of the male members of the drama club had small roles because they were in a club filled with little women. So, new directors Lori Dowling, Marlana Haig, and Nick Holmberg decided the obvious answer was to put on the play, *Little Women*.

Staged in the fall, *Little Women* was a change of pace for anyone who had ever been in drama before. "*Little Women* was about four sisters growing up during the Civil War. They go through all these changes and have to deal with hardships of the war like not having money, sickness, and loss," explained sophomore Heidi Govert, who played Beth. It was a serious play with a female-dominated cast, though junior Dave Csuk managed to land the leading role of Theodore Lawrence.

Besides those with major roles, many others spent countless hours working to ensure a good production. Each character had an understudy cast beside them who could prove themselves dependable if they attended practices regularly and helped before the show. Many of the understudies were then given jobs on the tech crew during the performance, such as prompter or lighting assistant. Others devoted time strictly to crew, and luckily for Anderson, Amanda Luce was one of them. Luce was so efficient with her sewing skills nobody watching the performance noticed the new seam in his costume during his big scene. Fittingly, the curtain closed with no loose ends.

by ada anderson

That magic moment

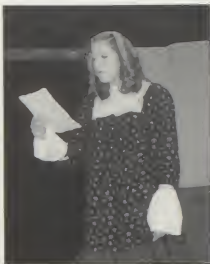
Just before a stage kiss, John Brook (Aaron Itzack) pleads with Meg March (Christy Brownd) for her love. The scene was one of the most favored by the directors.





A special time

In the play *Little Women*, senior Amanda Haig and junior Dave Csuk share a special moment, as Dave proposes to Amanda.



Catching up on life

After waiting her turn, young Amy March (Samantha Enyeart) reads a letter from home to her oldest sister, Meg (who was played by Christy Brownd). Each of the four sisters wrote letters to tell their sick father about life at home.

Rough times

Meg March, played by senior Christy Brownd, and John Brook, played by junior Aaron Itzack, work through a dilemma.



The sounds of bells

All grown up, Laurie (Dave Csuk) and Amy (Samantha Enyeart) walk in announce they have been recently married. This was part of the ending scene for the three-act play, which took over three hours to perform.



de-tuned

Rainbow warriors regroup from blizzard of Oz

Dorothy wasn't the only one who skipped down the yellow brick road. Her alter-ego wore red sparkily shoes, had blonde pigtails on each side of her head, had a dog named Toto, and sang her heart out just like Dorothy. Her name was Christy Brownd.

"I was so very happy when I made the part of Dorothy. Being Dorothy was so much fun. I had a blast doing it. I think that was the best play that we've done for a long time. I wish I could do it again just for the fun of it," senior Christy Brownd recalled.

Because of the early March snowstorm, the show was pushed back from March 18-19 to April 8-9.

"I think the whole date change was a good idea not only because of the Blizzard, but because it gave us more time to prepare for it and perfect it," sophomore Jeff Yardley said.

The three directors endured the delay to stage the classic presentation. Linda Beard, music director, along with the three co-directors, Marlana Haig, Nick Holmberg, and Mrs. Lori Dowling made it the best it could have been.

"The Wizard of Oz had the best stage, actors and actresses," junior Ada Anderson stated. "I loved being the Munchkin because I love to talk in a high-pitched and squeaky voice."

by amanda amundson



Early exposure

Posed before a performance, Dorothy (Christy Brownd) keeps Toto (Ernie) still. Toto stole the show Thursday night when he uncovered the wizard in his chamber a little too early.

All together now

Meet the cast of the Wizard of Oz. After the curtain call, cast members walked off stage and into the audience while singing the famed song, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow."



Watch out for the lil' people

After Dorothy lands in the Land of Oz, she hears funny little voices, and to her surprise she meets the Munchkins and Glenda, Good Witch of the North, played by senior Samantha Enyeart.



On the way

Off to see the wizard, the wonderful Wizard of Oz, senior Christy Brownd skips down the yellow brick road with her dog Toto. Christy played the lead character, Dorothy Gale.



Making a scene

Painted by crew members Jenny Baacke and Kristy Brownd, a rainbow signals the Land of Oz, and a colorful backdrop for the Munchkins.

last call

Snowball offers hope to 'endangered species'

"**T**his one's gone too," an ambulance worker said as she covered a crash victim with a blanket. She then rushed to the other side of the car to try to save the others who were still alive. They took out the driver and the other male in the car, both of whom were still alive. They're placed on a stretcher while the deceased were laid on the grass in front of about 100 people watching nearby.

Actually, nobody died. It was just a mock car crash staged in the morning for upperclassmen. Ambulance workers took every possible measure to make the accident scene looked and felt as real as possible for those inside. "The worst part...was waiting for everyone to come outside before they started. All I could smell was ketchup. It was then I realized if it had been a real crash, I wouldn't have smelled ketchup; I'd have been smelling blood," "crash victim" Ada Anderson, recalled.

New for the year, the members directed and performed a play, "Endangered Species." The play was about typical high school students who become infected with the HIV virus. The production was performed for all prom-goers and at a special evening show.

Joining Snowball was also a way for students to get to know each other. In the end, a typical Snowball member had learned a great deal about the dangers of drugs, infectious disease, and alcohol abuse. Talk about a sobering experience.

by ada anderson



Snowball

Front: Amanda Haig, Ada Anderson, Jillian Janicki, Jessica Pralle, Cheri Derousseau, Kira Brown, Holly Gesor, and Kristy Brown. Row 2: Kirby Heindel, Jillian Gorny, Christina Peters, Jessica Grenger, William Bisset, Teresa Devine, Lynne Bohling, and Jessica Bains. Row 3: Jeanette Luo, Samantha Eneyart, Jenny Baschke, Timothy Stanford, Kim Jens, Adam Walker, Colleen Seaton, and Bhanne Sheehy. Row 4: Mika Urona, Jeremy Desnick, Aaron Itzack, John Desnick, Andy Anderson, Beth Johnson, Jennifer Bunge, and Kevin Massengill. Back: Emily Gentry, Michelle Brezek, Brian Bugajski, Alicia Trock, Tiffany White, Kelly Bradke, Jill Hoffman, and Jessica Hamlett. Not pictured: Mr. Robert Krol, sponsor.

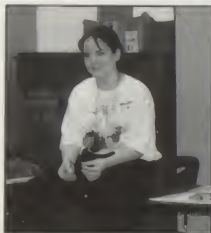
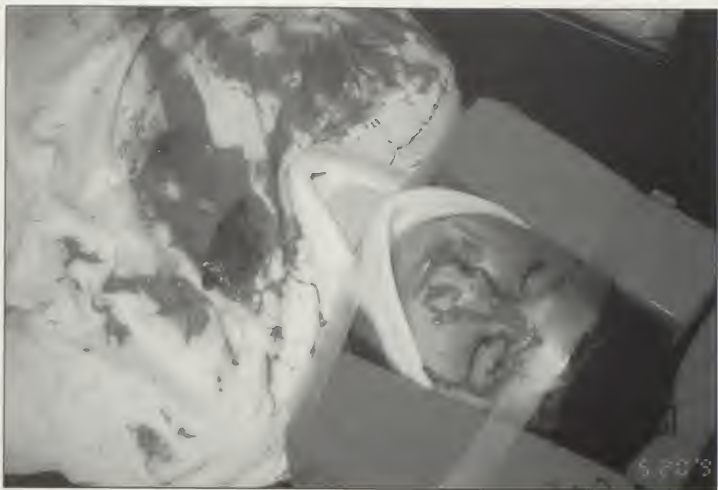


AIDS is discouraging

John Deenik acts discouraged because he is infected with the HIV virus during the skit *Endangered Species*, before prom. In the skit, he lost all hope and didn't care anymore.

Don't fear the reaper

Kevin Massengill is comforted by Samantha Eneyart and Michelle Brezek on his death bed. He contracted HIV and it turned into full blown AIDS before he died.



Sometimes it's not an act

Jeremy Deenik is in critical condition as he is pulled out of the smashed car. He was one of the critically injured in the mock car crash during prom week. The vivid point was made to not drink and drive.

No time for rest

Kirby Heindel takes a quick break during Snowflake '98 to brush up on the next skit. She, along with other club members put together the annual anti-drug and alcohol show for eight grade students.



Stayin' alive

He obviously can't dance, but Senior Andy Anderson doesn't need to dance well when he does a parody on the effects of drugs. Snowball members staged an anti-drug presentation as part of Snowflake, and offered it again for a public performance.

Far from a party

Trying to put the kids into action, Junior Jon Deenik shows that Snowball doesn't stop when Snowflake ends—it's a way of life.



sounds weird

Snowball offers eighth graders a model for living

Hugs, lots and lots of 'em. Have you ever gotten a hug from someone and they gave you a colorful string? Sounds weird, but that's one of the things Snowball members and eighth graders did the day they got out of school.

But that wasn't really what their day was all about. Snowball members and eighth graders were given a 'free' day to get out of school and well, have fun. And to learn. Learn, learn about what?

"It was good for the eighth graders. Snowflake didn't change my mind about doing drugs because I wouldn't do them anyway," eighth grader Tom James said. "By watching Snowflake I think I would want to be in it when I get older because it looks like something that is fun and that could help the school."

Snowflake was a one-day program run by the Snowball members to teach the eighth graders the dangers of doing drugs.

"Every year we've done Snowflake, and every year I can say it has been a great success. I'm proud of my Snowball members because of all the hard work and dedication they have put Snowball," sponsor Robert Krol said.

"Snowflake as an all around fun day. The best part was Celebrate Life. It taught the importance and meaning of life itself," Snowflake staffer Cherri Derausseau concluded.

by amanda amundson

What's the result?

Showing eighth graders that the program isn't just about the war against drugs, Snowball teaches other life lessons as well. Junior high student Roger Almaguez learns about AIDS with an experiment showing how shared experiences interconnect.

Time for small talk

With her small group of eighth graders, senior Samantha Enyeart asks what they had learned from the day. While most students learn something, if nothing else, they learn how to have a good, drug-free time.



Give a little bit..

Trust is another important point Snowball members try to impress upon the kids. Senior Bridgett Luce convinces eighth grader Erica Britton that someone will catch her. As a side note, Erica was caught.



art beat

Touring the town was the focus of art aficionados

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ith no concern for grades or course curricula, students who had an interest in art found Art Club to be the perfect mix of art appreciation and fun. With trips to Chicago's superb art museums and galleries, serious students found a goldmine of inspiration. With Chicago's "Magnificent Mile," club members who were serious shoppers found inspiration if they had a gold credit card.

Maintaining membership was not a problem for this club. The group was open to all students. Managing the large size of the club was the only real problem. Homeroom captain Katrina Bolger commented, "I enjoy the field trips and being a captain of homeroom requires responsibility. Mr. Greer makes all of the field trips fun and exciting."

The main reason for the short field trips was to view the work of serious artists, whether they were professionals or other students. A popular destination was Navy Pier to see the art sculptures. "The sculptures at Navy Pier were extremely detailed," Justin Titak recalled, "and I thoroughly enjoyed going. Seeing the work will help me in the future with my pieces."

Students also sold raffle tickets—20 each—for art department equipment and software. Not a bad deal for a lot of fun.

by heath montgomery



Art Club

Front Row: Amy Gley, Alissa Wasyliv, Lynda Szanyi, Jessica Granger, Jessica Pralle, Rebecca Arwood, and Mr. Louis Greer. **Second Row:** Jackie Andrews, Katie Smit, Brianna Wasyliv, Jennifer Wallace, Christy Haduch, Jessica Baldino, and Claudia Reyes. **Third Row:** Justin Titak, Melissa Demopoulos, Bill Surprise, Dan Shipman, Kevin Van Gorp, Jenny Baacke, and Julie Benedict. **Back Row:** Emily Rawlins, Nicki Panozzo, Knstine Ooms, Amanda May, Eric Lambert, Karlee Rawlins, and Danielle Walton.



Sweet tooth

"Seeing all of the art was nice, but the jelly beans made the whole trip worth while," senior Karlee Rawlins commented. The people on the art field trip visited the Water Tower Mall after going to the Chicago Art Institute.



Great precision

Angelica Hendzel, sophomore, concentrates on making the perfect cut. She went on many of the field trips hosted by the art club, so this was not new to her. "I have been on field trips before and Mr Greer makes them all enjoyable," she said.



Sticky stuff

Christy Haduch, Justin Titak and Kevin Van Gorp put in some effort at a workshop while on an art field trip to the Museum of Contemporary Art. "It has been so long since I have used a glue stick," Christy recalled, "and they really work well."

Hanging around

Claudia Reyes, Katrina Bolger, and a couple of their friends loiter outside a department store in Chicago. "After looking at art for a long time it feels good to take a rest," sophomore Claudia commented.



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it (money)
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bankrupt."
-Kristy Brownd*

*S*ensing that a dollar meant more than anything, people used their own judgment on how to spend that dollar. Whether it was for food, movie tickets, music, something personal, or an important purchase, it took a sense of priorities to find a way to stretch paper-thin student budgets.

"You should be able to provide for yourself, have a little stash on the side, and to have some pocket money," sophomore Bob Kolada said.

Freshman Kristy Brownd countered, "You should spend or save your money for something more important like college or a car."

Dollars for Scholars helped raise money for scholarships. Businesses provided \$5,000 in advertising to The Key. And, of course, students supported local businesses by spending their hard-earned cash. That was a good arrangement of dollars and sense.

■ BY NICK KOWALCZYK



*"Get what
you need
first, then
what you
want."
-Bob Kolada*

● *BEING SANTA* is not an easy job, but senior Jason Gore did it very well. Jason took time to give something back to the little as he dressed up as Santa Claus and read the little ones a Christmas story. A sense of giving helped boost community spirit.



■ HAMMERED BY THE storm, the Kowalczyk family and the others in Homestead Acres finally dug out. Nick Kowalczyk said, however, he was able to spend the week with a friend who had power. The rest of his family shared a generator with neighbors.

Photo courtesy of Pete Kowalczyk

an icy blast!

All right...no school. Hey, wait! There's no *nothing*! An inch of snow was predicted for Sunday night, March 1, but by morning a powerful blizzard swallowed the region with over 12 inches of drifting snow. Ice, snow, and ferocious wind demolished the power grid for virtually all of North-west Indiana. It was Friday, March 6, before most of Cedar Lake's electricity was restored. Getting around in a vehicle was nearly impossible without four-wheel drive or a snowmobile.

"My house was getting really cold, so we began boiling water over the stove to try and warm up the house. I didn't really do anything but sit around and do nothing after the big snow storm. When I got hungry I cooked food on a grill. Food on the grill is absolutely fabulous," junior Dave Csuk said.

Some people were not even thinking of themselves. "I braved the storm in my Tracker and gave people rides to the store or where ever they needed to go. A storm can not defeat me!" exclaimed senior Jesus Sanchez.

Being off school was nice at the time, but students had to make up four days in June. It was especially bad for the seniors, because they graduated on a Sunday, but had to come back Monday and Tuesday to take exams. "It's stupid that we have to come back," Craig Murrian commented, "but there is nothing you can do about it."

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☐ **THE NEW DAM IS JUST** the beginning of restoring the lake. The old dam leaked and also allowed carp to enter the lake by jumping over the dam. The new one prevents the carp from getting in, and in the next few years, the lake will become a cleaner, more enjoyable recreational facility.

we give a dam

Cedar Lake, clean? Yeah, that's right. Efforts were made to clean up the 800 acre lake. In fact, a new dam was built to replace the old one. The old dam leaked because the base was severely eroded. The money for the dam was raised from local donations, a grant from Senator Sue Landske and Tim Fesko, and a fund from the lottery.

The town also planned to dredge a channel from the dam towards the lake and conduct a major study of the wetlands, and add control structures, since vegetation was needed to filter the water that comes from the wetlands.

"Our ultimate goal is to dredge the whole lake," Bob Gross founder of the clean-up operation said. An alum treatment was also another option. Alum would lock sediment to the bottom, creating a cleaner lake with more clarity.

Efforts were also made to reduce the carp population in the lake because they eat the things that eat the algae, and algae is a major problem in the lake. For the last three years there has been a carp killing tournament, and each year a few thousand pounds of carp are eliminated.

The net effect of the clean up was improved recreation. "Fishing is great if you know just where to go, but getting in the water is another thing," Tim Surprise said. "Every time I go boating, jet skiing, or swimming, I end up getting sick, or having an earache."

Jason Gore said, "I love fishing in the lake, but it infuriates me when I catch a dirty, filthy, terrible, piece of trash carp. I don't swim very much, but jet skiing is enjoyable."

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Veterans Day, November 11, 1997. In a school-wide tradition, veterans from Post 261 of the American Legion visited the school so Hanover students could show their appreciation to them. The vets, some from as far back as World War II, fought for us in the wars, so it was the least we could do for them.

The Poms presented the colors, and the choir sang the National Anthem as the student body honored the flag. After the National Anthem, Teresa Devine led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Jill Hoffman read "In Flanders Field," a poem by John McCrae about the cruelties of war. Jim Chancellor, a veteran with some impressive qualifications, gave an inspiring speech to the crowd, and his speech was followed by "Reply to In Flanders Field," by John Mitchell, read by Jon Deenik.

Veterans Day means something different to everyone. To some it meant little and to others it means the world. To Mr. Chancellor, Veterans Day meant everything because he experienced the horrors of war and knows its cruelty. To recognize him and all other vets on this solemn day was as much a duty as it was an honor. Their contribution to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness deserved respect and admiration every day. And it certainly meant they deserved more than just a day of respect.

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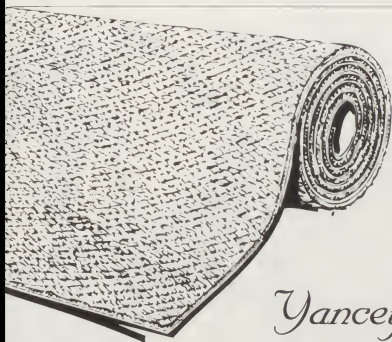
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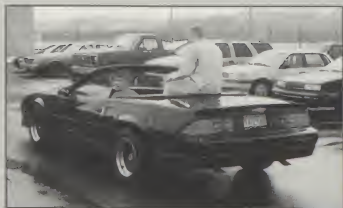
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Looking back while driving can be dangerous, as senior Josh Goveri demonstrates. On the back of Josh's '86 Camaro is senior Sean Hoover. Josh said he planned to put new rims and a new paint job on his car

life with wheels

It happened to everyone. It was a turning point in a teenager's life, but a nightmare in a parent's life. One step closer to adulthood, turning 16 and getting a driver's license was the highlight of being a teenager.

When there was talk about driving, cars were the first things to come up. A car, however, was second in importance to a license. But obviously, a license meant nothing without wheels.

Some ... couldn't handle the responsibility and it showed in the careless way they drove.

"The best thing about driving is that it's a lot easier to get women," Ryan Hoover joked. Hoover cruised around in a white Pontiac Grand Prix, but planned to buy a '97 Chevy Camaro as soon as it was possible.

Driving was a big responsibility. Some teens couldn't handle the responsibility and it showed in the careless way that they drove. Accidents sometimes did happen.

"I was backing out of a parking space at lunch," Monique Barba explained, "and Bryan Conley and I hit each other." It wasn't a bad accident and Bryan offered to simply spray paint his car in exchange for money or compensation.

"It was 3:17 in the morning; I was driving with some friends during a freezing rain storm. We were going down a hill with a curve at the bottom. I tapped on the brakes as I started to turn. We slid right into the ditch almost nailing a tree. I thought we were stuck but I just put it in reverse and backed out," Kyle Dill said. "It was like a miracle."

BY SCOTT KLEIN

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□ During his fourth hour biology class, Mr. Scott Campbell lectures as sophomore Tammi Boersma gets ready to take notes. Mr. Campbell is in his second year at Hanover and is a Hanover alumnus.

a day in the life

January 22, 1998, was a busy day for Mr. Scott Campbell. Follow his journey and share some insight to his life.

6:30 a.m. He wakes up on the right side of the bed. (hopefully!) He showers, shaves, feeds his saltwater fish, (usually he has to be careful because the porcupine puffer sometimes jets out a stream of water at him), he feeds and walks the dog, (it is an avid squirrel hunter), he usually only drinks a glass of juice for breakfast.

7:15 a.m. Drives to school. It's only a four minute drive opposed to a 45 minute drive to his previous job at Whiting.

7:30 a.m. Science Department meeting. They discussed the possibility of adding another advanced course in Biology.

8:00 a.m. First hour: Prep.

9:00 a.m. Second hour: Advanced Biology. He lectured on muscle tissue and his class dissected a chicken wing.

10:00 a.m. Third hour: Biology. He discussed the difference between lytic and lysogenic viruses. The class made a model of a virus. This was the same in all biology classes.

11:00 a.m. Lunch: This will probably dispel a student belief that the teachers lounge

is a place where teachers talk about students and organize test days to coincide with each other. What really happens is that from the moment Mr. Campbell walks in, the other teachers feel it is necessary to take shots at him. The topics vary from day to day. For example, he used to wear a comfortable, warm, professional sweater on colder days until they all but threw rocks at him as they jeered and made fun of it. Now he has bouts of flu during the winter months instead of subjecting himself to their ridicule.

11:30 a.m. Fourth hour: Biology.

12:30 p.m. Homeroom.

1:00 p.m. Fifth hour: Biology.

2:00 p.m. Sixth hour: Biology.

5:00 p.m. Didn't have wrestling practice today because they had a meet against Bishop Noll. They were expecting to lose because Noll had beaten many teams that had beaten them. They won, though.

8:30 p.m. Made chili for dinner. (The next day was rough.) After eating, he put up some trim board around the living room; remodeled, then read for a bit.

10:30 p.m. Hit the sack.

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the price is right

What we paid for things sometimes seemed outrageous, but what kind of dough will we throw down for our wants in 20 years? In two decades the prices may seem even more outrageous, but as adults there may be different priorities. The prices listed below are typical now, but will certainly fluctuate in years to come. When you're reading this 20 years from now, take some time to compare how the economy has fared and look back on how you spent your hard-earned cash as a high school student. Years from now, fill in the blanks.

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Milk: \$2.29
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Can of pop (vending machine): 60¢
Pizza (large): \$13
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Prices in 2018 (or _____)

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Average computer: _____
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• BY SCOTT KLEIN



□ BILL AND ELAINE
Edwards pose in front of their 1950 Mercury. The top is chopped four inches and the car has its original 255 cubic inch engine. Having given nearly four decades of service to the school, they said they plan to keep attending car shows in their retirement.

and miles to go

There came a time in everyone's life when they had to think about retirement. How were they going to spend their time? What were they going to do? Bill and Elaine Edwards knew exactly what they were going to do. Relax and travel.

Every winter Bill and Elaine plan to spend some time in Texas. They plan to travel to many places, including Alaska, South America, and Mexico.

The Edwards' said they had too many memories to remember them all. They both have made many friends with faculty and students. A memory, however, that stuck out in Bill's head was when someone set a locker on fire.

"I was scared, but Mrs. Dema and I put it out," he recalled. "That was a bad memory. I always saw the bad kids. The kids that got out of detentions to help me sweep and do other things. I know 99 percent of the kids in this school are good, but I always saw the bad ones."

"We've (the faculty) always wanted to write a book about all the funny little incidents that happened," Mrs. Edwards said. "Those were my best memories." The things she couldn't remember, if she tried, still came around every now and then.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards combined for 37 and a half years of experience on staff. Sounds like they earned a rest.

"We've always wanted to write a book about all the funny little incidents that happened."

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Kevin Grabarczyk shows
he can bust a move at
Zero Gravity. The non-
alcohol, teens-only dance
club opened to rave
reviews, though some
said the admission was a
bit steep.

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As you were going to the doors you immediately heard the beat of the blasting music. Inside the building colorful strobe lights made it seem impossible to walk and the music made your heart pound faster.

If you were looking for a fun night out with your friends Zero Gravity was the place. It was a non-alcoholic young adult dance club for kids 16 or older. It was open until 4 a.m., but if you weren't at least 18 you had to leave at 10:30. The cost was \$11.

"I personally believe that the admission price is simply outrageous," sophomore Wes Watkins exclaimed. "I've gone twice before and I think it's pretty fun."

Zero Gravity always had exciting events going on. One time, when you walked in the doors workers handed you a ticket with a number on it. You had to find the person with the same number and if you did you both won a prize, either money or a free admission into Zero Gravity. Musical groups such as "I Know Jade" and "Third Party" have performed there. Jensen Ackles, otherwise known as Eric Brady from Days of Our Lives, went to Zero Gravity and handed out autographed pictures.

"Zero Gravity is a great place to hang out with your friends," sophomore Mandy May said. "It's fun even if you don't dance the whole time. There's so many different people you can meet there."

**"It's fun even if you
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Rank:	Gross (through April 9):	Movie (release year):
1.	\$515,262,530	<i>Titanic</i> (1997)
2.	\$250,147,615	<i>Men in Black</i> (1997)
3.	\$229,074,524	<i>The Lost World: Jurassic Park</i> (1997)
4.	\$181,395,380	<i>Liar Liar</i> (1997)
5.	\$172,620,724	<i>Air Force One</i> (1997)
6.	\$71,164,169	<i>The Wedding Singer</i> (1998)
7.	\$49,653,200	<i>U.S. Marshals</i> (1998)
8.	\$43,653,200	<i>The Man in the Iron Mask</i> (1998)
9.	\$36,174,083	<i>Sphere</i> (1998)
10.	\$26,333,044	<i>Great Expectations</i> (1998)

The Top Ten Songs of the Week as of April 13, 1998.

Rank:	Artist:	Song:
1.	Celine Dion	My Heart Will Go On
2.	Marcy Playground	Sex and Candy
3.	Usher	Nice & Slow
4.	Will Smith	Gettin' Jiggy with It
5.	Savage Garden	Truly Madly Deeply
6.	K.C. & Jojo	All My Life
7.	Busta Rhymes	Dangerous
8.	Metallica	The Unforgiven II
9.	Madonna	Frozen
10.	Ben Folds Five	Brick

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time to spare?

Did you ever wonder how the average American spends their time and money? The Census Bureau released its annual fact book, "Life in America, the Statistical Abstract." Take leisure time for example. In 1997 the average person spent:

- 1,595 hours watching television, or just under 4.4 hours a day.
- 2.9 hours a day listening to the radio.
- 45 minutes a day listening to recorded music.
- 27 minutes a day reading the newspaper.
- 17 minutes a day reading books.
- 14 minutes a day reading magazines.

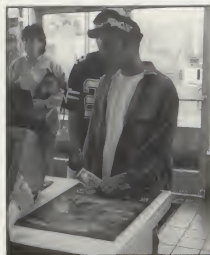
Americans also had a fascination with pets. There were an estimated 59.1 million pet cats and 52.9 million pet dogs in 1996. More U.S. households had dogs than cats, but there was a greater average number of cats to a household than dogs.

Hanover students viewed about one-fourth of the amount of television as the national average.

And no one forgot about eating out. In 1997, Americans spoon-fed restaurants a record \$209.5 billion. The amount spent was more than \$200 billion for the first time in history. The Key Yearbook staff surveyed 50 students on how they spent their leisure time. They revealed we spent an average of:

- 1.76 hours a day watching TV.
- 1.79 hours a day listening to the radio.
- .44 hours a day doing homework.
- 1.65 hours a day listening to recorded music.
- 30.16 minutes a day doing chores.

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 lunch, senior Jim Swift
 goes to McDonalds, a
 popular senior lunchtime
 hangout, to get food. Jim
 said he goes there at least
 once a week.

loose change

How students spent their money was the question, and the answers were very diverse. A Key yearbook survey revealed that students spent most of their money on a wide variety of things, some of which included cars, gasoline, clothes, food, and girlfriends and boyfriends. Some people spent a lot of money each time they went out, but it ranged from \$5 to an amazing \$100 every time they went out.

Students bought the majority of their food at local fast food restaurants such as McDonalds, Burger King and Taco Bell, and some bought their food at grocery stores, including Wilco or Dominicks.

The mall was where students bought much of their clothing, while they purchased music products at Blockbuster Music and Camelot Music.

Weekly spending ranged anywhere from \$30 to \$60 a week, but a few student spent as much as \$200 every week. Monthly spending ranged anywhere from \$50 to \$600, while yearly spending soared to anywhere from \$1,000 to \$3,000.

WalMart seemed to be a popular store for everything, and that was understandable, since it had everything. But no matter the merchant, they liked Hanover students, who saved about half of their money, often for college, or they saved nothing.

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Van Asdale and Tiffany
White (not pictured) were
the winners. They earned
the award for the highest
scores on the Americanism
and Government test.

we the people

The annual Americanism and Government Test, given to the majority of seniors and juniors, checks the amount of knowledge these students knew about America and the positions of people who worked for the government. Each student was given a study guide to look at before they took the test to increase their knowledge, and most of the information on the test was not covered in any classes. For example, a question from the test might ask a student to name the the Secretary of State. The test consisted of multiple choice, fill in the blank, and a short essay.

Each student was
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took the test.

The American Legion, which sponsored the test, named two winners from the junior class and two winners from the senior class. The winners from the senior class were Brian York and Karlee Rawlins, both of which won the previous year; and from the junior class, Brian VanAsdale and Tiffany White.

"Everyone was given a study guide. I guess I actually looked at it for a few minutes," York reasoned for his success on the test. Rawlins commented, "The test was a little challenging, but if you knew your government, it wasn't bad at all." Winners received a \$50 savings bond that was presented to them at a banquet held at the American Legion.

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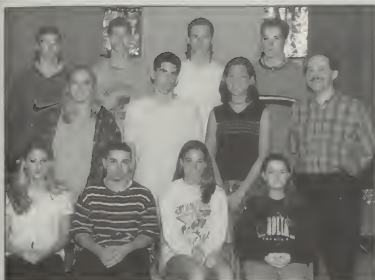
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Looking deeper into a field of study, junior Jenny Baacke takes the opportunity to go to Jane Ball and assist the art teacher. Jenny said art was a field in which she would like to enjoy a sense of success.

Standing tall, adviser Mike Frazier attends the National Scholastic Press Association's spring convention in Seattle. It was the biggest high school journalism convention in the country, with over 4,500 people attending. Mr. Frazier picked-up the The Key's "Pacemaker Finalist" award and was honored as a Journalism Education Association 1998 "Distinguished Adviser."



Who better to be seen in a tux than senior Brian York and in a gorgeous dress than senior Kelly Urbanczyk. A sense of class and fun made the evening special for both.





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It was that time of the year again for students to start getting ready for the summer vacation. But finals were pushed back and seniors had to return to school to take finals after commencement. This was all caused by the sudden blizzard earlier in the year.

Though everyone anticipated that last day, we faced the fact that we had to come back for an extra week of school. In spite of that sense of longing, we made the best of the rest of the year.

Prom came around, and everyone got their tuxes and dresses ordered or rented. At the last dance of the year we wished the seniors good luck, and welcomed the incoming freshmen. The emotions of a year gone by overwhelmed our senses, but they helped to make wonderful memories.



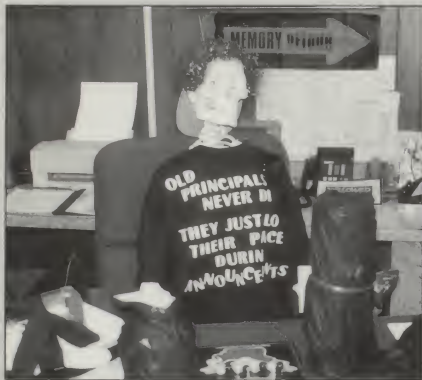
Senior Helen Montgomery rushes to get home tonight from for the yearbook. Helen had a great sense of humor and was a popular staff member because he always met his deadlines.

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Hitting "The Big 5-0," the office staff helps principal Joseph Fetty celebrate his fiftieth birthday. The playful staff decorated his office and suited-up a skeleton to read, "Old principals never die. They just lose their place during announcements." Fortunately, Mr. Fetty has a great sense of humor.

W

With the year coming to an end, students and staff found out principal Joseph Fetty turned 50-years-old on May 21. Throughout the day, teachers wished him a happy birthday and during lunch students sang "Happy Birthday."

Counting down the last day of school was normal even though there was so much riding on the last week. Finals were the problem, and because of the blizzard, we had to go to school for an extra week. But when it was all over it felt so good!.



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